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N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at our City of *Quebec*, on the SECOND day of the month of APRIL, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands called for the SECOND day of the month of APRIL, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have taught fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on MONDAY, the ELEVENTH day of the month of MAY next, you meet Us, in Our

Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS**, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir **NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU**, Knight, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this **TWENTY-FIRST** day of **MARCH**, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-first year of Our Reign.

By command,
L. H. HUOT,
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA }
 Province of *Quebec*. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L.S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, *QUEEN*, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the **ELEVENTH** day of the month of **MAY**, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and to every of you—

A PROCLAMATION.

GREETING:

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands called for the **ELEVENTH** day of the month of **MAY**, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now **KNOW YE**, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on **THURSDAY**, the **EIGHTEENTH** day of the month of **JUNE** next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS**, our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir **NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU**, Knight, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this **SEVENTH** day of **MAY**, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
 Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, *QUEEN*, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands called for the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of JUNE, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on SATURDAY, the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of JULY next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS**, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this TENTH day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-first year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, *QUEEN*, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of

JULY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands called for the EIGHTEENTH day of the month of JULY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking you and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on THURSDAY, the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of the month of AUGUST next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this TENTH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c. &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of the month of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands called for the TWENTY-SEVENTH day of the month of AUGUST, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance

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at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the SECOND day of the month of OCTOBER next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Quebec to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec. At Our Government House, in Our City of Quebec, in Our said Province, this NINETEENTH day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA,
Province of Quebec. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of Quebec, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, on the SECOND day of the month of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of Quebec stands called for the SECOND day of the month of OCTOBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of Quebec, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of Quebec, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the SIXTH day of the month of NOVEMBER next, you meet Us in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Quebec, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of Quebec to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec. At Our Government House,

in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province. this TWENTY-FIRST day of SEPTEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

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| CANADA, Province of <i>Quebec</i> . } | N. F. BELLEAU. |
| (L. S.) | |

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland,
QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the SIXTH day of the month of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands called for the SIXTH day of the month of NOVEMBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the ELEVENTH day of the month of DECEMBER next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-SEVENTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign,

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA, }
Province of Quebec. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L.S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the ELEVENTH day of the month of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands called for the ELEVENTH day of the month of DECEMBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now Know YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. **HEREIN FAIL NOT.**

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: **WITNESS,** Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NAROISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA, }
Province of Quebec. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the FIFTEENTH day of the month

of JANUARY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec* stands prorogued to the FIFTEENTH day of the month of JANUARY next, NEVERTHELESS, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to WEDNESDAY, the TWENTIETH day of the month of JANUARY next, so that neither you nor any of you, on the said Fifteenth day of January next, at Our City of *Quebec*, to appear are to be held and constrained, for We Do WILL that you and each of you, be as to Us in this matter entirely exonerated, Commanding and by the tenor of these presents enjoining you and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on WEDNESDAY, the TWENTIETH day of the month of JANUARY next, at Our City of *Quebec* aforesaid, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, by the Common Council of Our said Province, may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in our said Province, this SIXTEENTH day of DECEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-eight, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,

L. H. HUOT,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

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SESSION 1869.

Wednesday, 20th January, 1869.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by *Samuel Stanton Hatt*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

MR. SPEAKER,—

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House, in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to the Council Chamber ;
And being returned,

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that during the Recess he had received the following Notification of Resignation ; and that he had accordingly issued his Warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, to make out a new Writ for the election of a Member to represent the electoral division of *Three Rivers*, in the present Parliament :

QUEBEC, 30th September, 1868.

To the Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*.

SIR,

It is my duty to notify you that, owing to my having accepted the office of

Sheriff of the District of *Three Rivers*, I hereby resign my seat as Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*,

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

BOUCHER DE NIVERVILLE, (L. S.)

Signed and sealed in presence of

(L. S.) E. DEMERS,

Secretary of the Speaker, L. A. *Quebec*.

(L. S.) NAP. DAGNEAU,

Three Rivers, Merchant.

Mr. Speaker then informed the House that the Clerk had received, from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following Certificate :

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

These presents certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, bearing date the FIFTH day of OCTOBER last, issued by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, and addressed to *Ezechie M. Hart*, appointed Returning Officer, by special commission under the hand and seal of the Lieutenant-Governor, bearing date the FIFTH day of OCTOBER last, for the election of a Member to represent the electoral division of *Three Rivers*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in this present Parliament, in the place and stead of *Charles Boucher de Niverville*, Esquire, who, since his election to represent the said electoral division of *Three Rivers*, resigned his seat as Member for the said division ; *Sévère Dumoulin*, Esquire, has been returned as having been duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the SIXTEENTH day of OCTOBER last, and is now filed in the Archives of my Office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 30th December, 1868.

L. H. HUOT,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

G. M. MUIR, Esquire,

Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,

QUEBEC.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House a Report of the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly on the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as followeth :

To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly,

The Report of the Librarian on the state of the Library of the Legislature humbly sheweth :

That in conformity with the provisions of the 111th rule of the Legislative Assembly, it is the duty of your Librarian, to present a report on the state of the Library, at the beginning of each session.

That one year has hardly elapsed since the Legislature of *Quebec* undertook the formation of a Library, capable in the first instance of supplying the requirements of Honorable Gentlemen engaged in political matters, and in the Government of the State, and next of the friends of study in general, who are happily not wanting in our young country.

That at the time of the last meeting of the Houses, the Library contained merely a few hundred volumes, works of great value and utility however, for they were in great measure composed of treatises on English Parliamentary Law.

That a sum of \$8000 was granted by the Legislature for the Library for the 18 months which terminated on the 31st December, 1868.

That in conformity with the wishes of the Library Committee, the purchases of books made in *London* and *New York*, before the last session, were paid out of this grant, the former payment amounting to \$2,932 and the latter to \$398.93.

That in accordance also with the expressed desire of the Committee, the balance of the grant was employed in the purchase—

- 1o. Of works on law and constitutional and parliamentary history.
- 2o. Of works on legislation, jurisprudence and political economy.
- 3o. Of works on history, geography and statistics generally, and more especially treating of the history, geography and statistics of *Canada*, *Great Britain*, *France* and the *United States*.
- 4o. Of works treating on the physical sciences, and their application to arts and commerce, and on agriculture and natural history.

Thanks, therefore, to the liberal grant of the Legislature, and to the zeal displayed by the Committee on the Library, both Honorable Houses may regard with pride more than 3,200 volumes ranged upon the shelves of the Library.

About 500 of these books, for the most part now very rare, were purchased at *Montreal*, at the sale of the Library of the late Sir *James Stuart*, for the rather moderate sum of \$383.43.

This is not all, however; six cases of new books are daily expected from *Paris*.

Your Librarian ventures to hope that within a few years, your Library will be one of the most complete and interesting in the Dominion.

The grant of \$8,000 voted by the Legislature will be unquestionably entirely expended, after the expected books are paid for; I may indeed state that it will not suffice to do so, for there is merely a balance of about \$900 in hand.

In conformity with the provisions of the 91st rule of the Legislative Council, I transmitted the journals of the Council for 1868 to the Imperial Parliament, and to the Legislatures of the various British Colonies.

It is my duty to mention the gift received by the Library during the year.

In the first place, two beautiful volumes richly bound in 8vo. were presented by Our Gracious Sovereign the Queen, viz: "The early years of H. R. H. the Prince Consort" and "Leaves from the journal of Our Life."

By the Hon. Mr. *Archibald*, Secretary of State, through the Lieutenant-Governor:

"Public general Acts 31, 32 *Vic.*, (8vo., 3 copies.) *Cape of Good Hope*. Votes and Proceedings, 3 vols., 4to. Acts of Assembly passed in the Island of *Barbadoes*," 1648-1718, folio.

By the Hon. Mr. *Langevin*, Secretary of State for *Canada*:

"Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*," &c., 8vo., 2 copies.

"Custom of the Duchy of *Luxembourg*," folio.

Imports and exports for 1866 of *Prince Edward Island*.

From the Education Office:

Two sets of the Journal of Public Instruction, (French and English,) bound, 1857-66.

Two sets of the reports of the Superintendent of Education, bound, (French and English,) 1855-66.

Rev. Mr. *Ferland*:

Lectures on the History of *Canada*, 2 vols 8vo. unbound.

Public Acts, 32 *Vic.*, 1868. 8vo.

The Federal Parliament of *Canada*.

The Statutes and the Journals of the Senate and House of Commons for 1868, (French and English.)

The Legislatures of Ontario, Journals and Statutes for 1868.

The Legislatures of *New Scotia* and *New Brunswick*, Journals of Assembly for 1868.

The Hon. Mr. *Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*:
Revised Statutes of Canada.

The Ursulines Nuns of *Quebec*:

A map of *New France* to illustrate the history of the principal French families of Canada.

The Honorable Mr. *DeLéry*, M.L.C.:

Le Vicomte *C. DeLéry* and his family, 8vo.

Mr. *Joly*, Member for *Lotbinière*:

Statutes of Canada, 1862 to 1866; many in duplicate. 19 vols.

Statuts du Canada, 1862, 1865. 9 vols.

Mr. *G. M. Muir*, Clerk of the House:

Union Acts of 1841-1867.

Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in French.

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Index to Statutes in *Lower Canada* and *Upper Canada*.

The Eastern and Old World, ancient and modern history, by *Brownell*. 2 vols., 8vo.

Tables of Commerce and Navigation of Canada, for 1850 to 1861 and 1864-65. 13 vols, 4to.

Mr. *Bernard Quaritch*:

A General Catalogue of Books, arranged in classes. 8vo, 1868.

Mr. *Alp. Todd*:

Alphabetical Catalogue of the Parliamentary Library, published in 1867-68. 8vo., 1862.

Mr. *Marquette*:

Census of Canada, 1861, 1st part.

The catalogues, alphabetical and according to the subjects treated of by the books in the Library, would have already been prepared, had I not judged it better to wait a few days, so that the books which your Library is on the point of receiving may not be omitted from them.

The whole respectfully submitted.

(Signed)

L. PAMPHILE LEMAY,
Librarian.

Mr. Speaker also communicated to the House the following letter:

BRITISH MUSEUM,
October 17th, 1868.

SIR,—I am directed by the Trustees of the British Museum to acknowledge the receipt of the present from the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec* of the Journals of the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, December 27th, 1867 to February 24th 1868, *Quebec* 1868, 8vo., and I am to request that you will return to the Assembly the thanks of the Trustees for this addition to the National Library.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedt. servant,

(Signed)

J. WINTER JONES,
Principal Librarian.

The Secretary of the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of the *Canada Military Asylum*: of *l'Hotel Dieu of St. Hyacinthe*; of *La Salle d'Asile de St. Vincent de Paul, Montreal*; of *l'Asile de la Providence, Montreal*; of the *Male Deaf and Dumb Institute, Montreal*; of *La Salle d'Asile Nazareth, Montreal*; of the *St. Bonaventure Street Asylum, Montreal*; of *l'Hospice de la Maternité, Montreal*; of *l'Institution de Notre Dame de Charité du Bon Pasteur, Montreal*; of the *Church of England Female Orphan Asylum, Quebec*; of the *Male Orphan Asylum of the Church of England, Quebec*; of the *Asylum of the Good Shepherd, Quebec*; of the *Ladies' Protestant Home, Quebec*; of the *St. Bridget's Asylum Association, Quebec*; of *La Société Charitable des Dames Catholiques Romaines de Québec*; all for the year ending 31st December, 1868, and the report of the *Finlay Asylum, Quebec*, for the year ending 29th February, 1868, and the annual report of the *Ladies' Protestant Home, Quebec*, (Sessional Papers No. 6.)

Also, Statement of the affairs of the *Medical Faculty of McGill University, Montreal*, (Sessional Papers No. 7.)

And also, General Statements and Returns of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the Districts of *St. Francis, Bedford and Quebec*, and in the Counties of *Bellechasse and Montmagny*, for the year 1867, (Sessional Papers No. 8.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the administration of oaths of office.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Mr. Speaker reported that when the House did attend His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, this day, in the Legislative Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, as followeth;

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

I am happy to see you again assembled to consider of the interests of this Province, and to render me your advice and aid in the conduct of its affairs.

Since the first Session of our Legislature, the Right Honorable Sir John Young has been placed by Her Majesty at the head of the Government of *Canada*, in succession to the Right Honorable Viscount Monck, who, after having long presided over the government of the late Province of Canada, had inaugurated our new Constitution. Bound as we are to the Central Government, we must earnestly pray that the work so well begun under Lord Monck may receive its happy development under the rule of his successor.

Among the important measures which marked the late session of the Federal Parliament, you have doubtless noted with interest that providing for the construction of the Railway from *Halifax to Rivière-du-Loup*, which will complete the communication at all seasons of the year between the Great Lakes and the Atlantic, across so large a portion of the Dominions of Her Majesty.

You will have observed with pleasure, that the line chosen for this Railway will traverse a wide range of the territory of this Province. My Government, desirous to profit by this opening for settlement of our wild lands, at once undertook vigorously the works of survey requisite to that end. The explorations thus far made with that view indicate that a large area of cultivable land in this direction will soon be brought into value, to the material increase of our population and resources.

The outlay authorized at the last session for Colonization Roads has been promptly effected; and, as I trust, with commensurate advantage to the country.

The regulations as to the cutting of timber on the lands of the Crown have received the earnest attention of my Government; and I have deemed it my duty

to sanction certain changes of system calculated to secure a more prudent management of our forest resources, and an increase of the revenue, without injury to the real interests of this important branch of trade.

I am happy to see the great progress made by the agricultural and manufacturing industries of the Province; and when I visited the Provincial Exhibition at *Montreal*, I could not fail to observe the lively interest taken by all classes of society in the development of these two great sources of prosperity.

The Constitution having assigned the matter of Immigration to the concurrent action of the Federal and Local Governments, my Government, in concert with those of *Ontario* and *New-Brunswick*, has conferred as to it with the Federal Government. I have reason to hope that the result of our joint efforts will tend to increase the prosperity of all the Provinces.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

The Public Accounts for the eighteen months covered by your votes of last session will be promptly laid before you. You will find that the expenditure has been kept considerably within the limit so set; and I trust, that it has been regulated with a due regard as well to economy as to the efficiency of the public service.

I regret that from circumstances beyond our control, the arbitration required under the Constitutional Act, for the division and adjustment of debt and assets between this Province and that of *Ontario*, has not yet taken place. The uncertainty hence resulting as to our permanent resources unhappily involves delay in the definitive settlement of some important matters, dependent necessarily on the ascertained state of our finances. The position in which the Province thus finds itself, requires at our hands the utmost prudence and a wise economy, but you will not hesitate, I trust, while providing for the reasonable wants of the various branches of the public service, to adopt a vigorous policy for the settlement of the country and the development of its material resources. Votes will be asked from you with this view.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

At your last session you devoted a large share of your attention to our Municipal Institutions, and to the subjects of Agriculture and Colonization.

There will be submitted for your consideration the project of a Municipal Code, which, while correcting what may be thought defective in our legislation on this subject, will aim at placing it in a shape more convenient for the numerous and important classes of the community interested in it.

Measures will be proposed to you respecting the management and sale of the Crown Lands, and for the development of Agriculture and Colonization. Public opinion is, with reason, much directed to these important subjects. You will no doubt feel that they are entitled to your most careful consideration.

Several new Railway projects, such as it is hoped may be carried out at small cost, are under discussion; and the subject is so intimately connected with that of the settlement of our wild lands, as to call for your most favorable attention.

The general revision of the Railway Act, in reference not only to this class of Railway, but also to all others to be constructed under Provincial Charter, may advantageously receive consideration at your hands.

The revision of our Jury Law, and of some portions of our School Laws, as also several other matters connected with the administration of Justice and the better organisation of the machinery of our Provincial system, will no doubt receive their share of your attention.

In the discussion of all these matters, and of whatever other subjects may seem to you to be worthy of attention, I do not doubt that you will be animated by that spirit of loyalty and devotion to our Gracious Sovereign which has heretofore dis-

tinguished you, and that you will show yourselves sincerely attached to our new institutions, and anxious to maintain harmony and good-will between all the various classes of our community.

I pray earnestly that Divine Providence may bless your efforts, and that your labors may be crowned with all success.

Sevère Dumoulin, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of Three Rivers, having previously taken the oath according to Law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, be taken into consideration to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Resolved, That if anything shall come in question touching the return or election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate; and all members returned upon double returns, are to withdraw until their returns are determined.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be, by bribery or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

Resolved, That the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the Legislative Assembly for the promoting of any matter whatsoever, depending or to be transacted in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, is a high crime and misdemeanor and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:—1. On Privileges and Elections.—2. On Standing Orders.—3. On Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.—4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills.—5. On Expiring Laws.—6. On Contingencies.—7. On Printing.—8. On Public Accounts.—9. On Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization;—which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House; and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers and records; and that for the more prompt despatch of business until such appointment, the said several Committees, as the same were personally constituted on the last day of the last Session of this House, be provisionally revived, with the like powers, and with authority to act provisionally under such rules as to their organization, quorum, and otherwise, as were then in force in respect thereof.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the Question being proposed,

That a new writ do issue for the election of a member to serve in the present Parliament for the Electoral District of *Kamouraska*, in consequence of the said District being unrepresented in this House, no election having taken place in conformity with the provisions of the "British North America Act, 1867," and that the said Writ be directed to *Wincelas Taché*, Esquire, Sheriff of the County of *Kamouraska*.

And a debate arising thereupon;

And the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Townships of *Ware* and *Cranbourne*; the Petition of *Narcisse Roy* and others, of the Township of *Cranbourne*; and the Petition of the Reverend *P. Kelly* and others, of the Township of *Frampton West*, all of the County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Garon*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *St. Germain de Rimouski* and others.

By Mr. *Bachand*,—Two Petitions of *Les Sœurs de l'Hotel Dieu de St. Hyacinthe*; and the Petition of *A. C. Papineau* and others.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *Les Dames Religieuses de l'Hôpital de la Ville de St. Jean*, County of *Iberville*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 21st January, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Municipal Returns of the Province of *Quebec*, for the year 1867. (Sessional Papers No. 9).

Also, General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials, in the County of *Beauharnois*, for the year 1867, and in the County of *Megantic*, for the year 1866. (Sessional Papers No. 8).

And also, Proceedings at the annual meeting of the Natural History Society of *Montreal*, for the year ending May 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 10).

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House, the following letter :

Quebec, 21st January, 1869.

To the Honorable *J. G. Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*;—and to *Joseph Beaudreau*, Esquire, sitting Member for the division, or electoral district of *Richelieu*, in the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec* :

Gentlemen,

You are hereby notified that the undersigned, the Honorable *Jean-Baptiste Guévremont*, petitioner against the election and return of the said *Joseph Beaudreau*, for the electoral district of *Richelieu*, in the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, does not intend to proceed to the merits of the election petition by him signed, complaining of the illegality of the election of the said *Joseph Beaudreau* for the said electoral division of *Richelieu* in the said Legislative Assembly, and that he hereby withdraws the said Petition.

J. B. GUÉVREMONT.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of *Mary McCarthy* and others, of the Institution for the Blind, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Eusèbe Joseph Depoorter* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the Natural History Society of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *Thomas Dohan* and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*.

By Mr. *Robertson*,—The Petition of *C. J. Brydges* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; the Petition of the Municipal Councils of the Counties of *Stanstead*, *Compton*, *Richmond*, *Wolfe*, *Drummond*, *Arthabaska*, and *Shefford*; and the Petition of the Agricultural Society of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. *Lavallée*,—The Petition of *Pierre Coutu* and others, of the Township of *Brandon*, County of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of *James Davis* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Guay* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Temiscouata*.

The Order of the Day being read for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Speech into consideration.

Mr. *Dumoulin* moved to resolve, seconded by Mr. *Ross*, and the Question being proposed,

1. That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to thank His Excellency for his Gracious Speech at the opening of the Second Session of the Provincial Legislature; and further to assure His Excellency,

2. That we receive with the utmost satisfaction the expression of the pleasure with which His Excellency sees us again assembled to deliberate on the interests of this Province, and to offer him our advice and aid in the conduct of its affairs.

3. Since the first session of our Legislature, the Right Honorable Sir *John Young* having been placed by Her Majesty at the head of the Government of *Canada*, in succession to the Right Honorable Viscount *Monck*, who, after having long presided over the Government of the late Province of *Canada*, had inaugurated our new Constitution, and feeling that we are bound to the Central Government by strong ties, we join with His Excellency in the earnest prayer that the work so well begun under Lord *Monck* may receive its happy development under the rule of his successor.

4. That among the important measures which marked the late session of the Federal Parliament, we have noted with interest that providing for the construction of the Railway from *Halifax* to *Rivière-du-Loup*, which will complete the communication at all seasons of the year between the Great Lakes and the Atlantic, across so large a portion of the Dominions of Her Majesty.

5. That we have observed with pleasure, that the line chosen for this Railway will traverse a wide range of the territory of this Province, and that the Government, desirous to profit by this opening for settlement of our wild lands, have at once undertaken vigorously the works of survey requisite to that end, and that the explorations thus far made with that view indicate that a large area of cultivable land in this direction will soon be brought into value, to the material increase of our population and resources.

6. That we hear with pleasure that the outlay authorised at the last session for Colonization Roads has been promptly effected, with commensurate advantage to the country.

7. That we also learn with pleasure that the regulations as to the cutting of timber on the lands of the Crown have received the earnest attention of the Government; and that His Excellency has sanctioned certain changes of system calculated to secure a more prudent management of our forest resources, and an increase of the revenue, without injury to the real interests of this important branch of trade.

8. That we are happy to see the great progress made by the agricultural and manufacturing industries of the Province; and when His Excellency visited the Provincial Exhibition at *Montreal*, he could not fail to observe the lively interest taken by all classes of society in the development of these two great sources of prosperity.

9. That the Constitution having assigned the matter of Immigration to the concurrent action of the Federal and Local Governments, we rejoice to hear that His Excellency's Government, in concert with those of *Ontario* and *New-Brunswick*, has conferred as to it with the Federal Government; and that we hope, with His Excellency, that the result of their joint efforts will tend to increase the prosperity of all the Provinces.

10. That we hear with pleasure that the Public Accounts for the eighteen months covered by the votes of last session will be promptly laid before us; we rejoice to find that the expenditure has been kept considerably within the limit so set; and that it has been regulated with a due regard as well to economy as to the efficiency of the public service.

11. That we regret, with His Excellency, that, from circumstances beyond the control of his Government, the arbitration required under the Constitutional Act, for the division and adjustment of debt and assets between this Province and that of Ontario, has not yet taken place; and that we admit with His Excellency that the uncertainty hence resulting as to our permanent resources unhappily involves delay in the definitive settlement of some important matters dependent necessarily on the ascertained state of our finances; but that we pray His Excellency to believe that we feel that the position in which the Province thus finds itself requires at our hands the utmost prudence and a wise economy; but that we will not hesitate, while providing for the reasonable wants of the various branches of the public service, to adopt a vigorous policy for the settlement of the country and the development of its material resources; and that we will give our best attention to the supplies which will be asked from us with this view.

12. That at the last session we devoted a large share of our attention to our Municipal Institutions, and to the subjects of Agriculture and Colonization,

13. That we will give our best attention to the project of a Municipal Code, which, while correcting what may be thought defective in our legislation on this subject, will aim at placing it in a shape more convenient for the numerous and important classes of the community interested in it.

14. That we will attentively study the measures which may be proposed to us respecting the management and sale of the Crown Lands, and for the development of Agriculture and Colonization. Public opinion is, with reason, much directed to these important subjects; and we feel that they are entitled to our most careful consideration.

15. That we observe with pleasure that several new Railway projects, such as it is hoped may be carried out at small cost, are under discussion; and we feel, with His Excellency, that the subject is so intimately connected with that of the settlement of our wild lands as to call for our most favorable attention.

16. That the general revision of the Railway Act, in reference not only to this class of Railway, but also to all others to be constructed under Provincial Charter, will receive the best consideration at our hands.

17. That the revision of our Jury Law, and of some portions of our School Laws, as also other matters connected with the administration of Justice, and the better organization of the machinery of our Provincial system, will receive their share of our attention.

18. That in the discussion of all these matters, and of whatever other subject may be worthy of attention, we trust that we shall be animated by that spirit of loyalty and devotion to our Gracious Sovereign which has heretofore distinguished us; and that we shall show ourselves sincerely attached to our new institutions, and anxious to maintain harmony and good-will between all the various classes of our community.

19. We join with His Excellency in the earnest prayer that Divine Providence may bless our efforts, and that our labors may be crowned with all success.

Ordered, That the question be put upon each paragraph of the said motion.

And the first to the sixteenth paragraph inclusive, being again read, were agreed to.

And the seventeenth paragraph being again read;

And a debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit until after twelve of the clock, on Friday morning;

Friday, 23rd January, 1869.

And the Debate continuing ;

And the Question being put thereon :—It was resolved in the affirmative.

The said paragraph was then agreed to.

Then the remaining paragraphs being again read, were agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to thank His Excellency for his gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Legislature.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Dumoulin*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Desautniers* (*St Maurice*), Mr. *Laberge*, and Mr. *Robertson*, to prepare and report the draft of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Legislature, in conformity to the said Resolution.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* reported, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that they had drawn up an Address accordingly ; and the same was read, as followeth :

To the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, in the Provincial Legislature assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for your Gracious Speech at the opening of the present session.

We receive with the utmost satisfaction the expression of the pleasure with which Your Excellency sees us again assembled to deliberate on the interests of this Province, and to offer Your Excellency our advice and aid in the conduct of its affairs.

Since the first session of our Legislature, the Right Honorable Sir *John Young*, having been placed by Her Majesty at the head of the Government of *Canada*, in succession to the Right Honorable Viscount *Monck*, who, after having long presided over the Government of the late Province of *Canada*, had inaugurated our new Constitution, and feeling that we are bound to the Central Government by strong ties, we join with Your Excellency in the earnest prayer that the work so well begun under Lord *Monck* may receive its happy development under the rule of his successor.

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a more prudent management of our forest resources, and an increase of the revenue, without injury to the real interests of this important branch of trade.

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We join with Your Excellency in the earnest prayer that Divine Providence may bless our efforts, and that our labours may be crowned with all success.

The said Address, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House having continued to sit till half-past one of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 22nd January, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Dumoulin*,—The Petition of *William Carleton Farnum* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Hilaire Millier*, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *B. Pomroy* and others, of *Cookshire*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *E. Bourgeois* and others, Members of the Academy of *St. Jean*,—the Petition of *Joseph Decelle* and other Canadians, of *Woonsocket*, State of *Rhode Island*,—the Petition of *Pierre L'Homme* and other Canadians, of *Rochester*, State of *New York*,—the Petition of *C. Jeannett* and other Canadians, of *Nashua*, State of *New Hampshire*,—the Petition of *P. U. Vaillant* and other Canadians, of *Fall River*, State of *Massachusetts*,—the Petition of *Joseph Champagne* and other Canadians, of the Parish of *Richmond*, State of *Vermont*,—the Petition of *Olivier Pilon* and other Canadians, of *West Rutland*, State of *Vermont*,—the Petition of *T. R. Dessureau* and other Canadians, of *Meriden*, State of *Connecticut*,—the Petition of *Pierre Breaux* and other Canadians, of *Port Henry*, State of *New York*,—the Petition of *Joseph Onésime Houde* and other Canadians, of *Manchang*, State of *Massachusetts*,—the Petition of *J. B. Plante* and other Canadians, of *Valley Falls*, State of *Rhode Island*,—and the Petition of *Pierre Colin* and other Canadians, of *Springfield*, State of *Massachusetts*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of the Reverend *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Townships of *Ware* and *Cranbourne*,—of *Narcisse Roy* and others, of the Township of *Cranbourne*,—of the Reverend *P. Kelly* and others, of the Township of *Frampton West*; all in the County of *Dorchester*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Hôtel-Dieu de St. Hyacinthe*; praying for aid to build an Hospital.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Hôtel-Dieu de St. Hyacinthe*; praying for the continuance of their annual grant.

Of *Les Dames Religieuses de l'Hôpital de la Ville de St. Jean*, County of *Iberville*; praying for aid.

Of *A. C. Papineau* and others; praying for amendments to the Act respecting the Bar.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *St. Germain de Rimouski* and others; praying that a part of the Parish of *St. Germain de Rimouski* be constituted into a Town.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Eleven Members be appointed to prepare and report, with all convenient speed, Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Chapleau*, Mr. *Clément*, Mr. *Coutlée*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Lavallée*, and Mr. *Robinson*, do compose the said Committee.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Statement of Legal Opinions, Reports of Council, and Special Warrants under authority of Clause 47, Vict. 31, Cap. 9, prepared by the Auditor as thereby required. (Appendix No. 1).

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 25th January, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of the St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*,—and of *l'Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec*, for the year ending 30th December, 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 6).

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *John Lemesurier* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Moll*,—The Petition of *Ambroise Gravelle* and others, of the Township of *Brandon*, County of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of *La Société Bienveillante des Dames de Montréal*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *Thos. Mackie* and others, the shareholders and officers of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*,—and the Petition of *Henry Porter* and others, of *Weedon*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of *P. Cassidy* and others, of the Township of *Cranbourne*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *P. N. Leclair* and other Canadians, of *Woodstock*, State of *Connecticut*,—the Petition of *Isaie Bédard* and other Canadians, of *Attawaugan*, State of *Connecticut*,—the Petition of *Janvier Lebeau* and other Canadians, of *Westboro*, State of *Massachusetts*,—the Petition of *Gédson Lureux* and other Canadians, of *Albion*, State of *Rhode Island*,—the Petition of *Edouard Davignon* and other Canadians, of *Buffalo*, State of *New York*,—the Petition of *Pierre Emery* and other Canadians, of *Bennington*, State of *Vermont*,—the Petition of *Joseph Courtois* and other Canadians, of *Central Falls*, State of *Rhode Island*,—and the Petition of *Isaie Paré* and other Canadians, of *Holyoke*, State of *Massachusetts*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Louis Saché* and others, of *Sault-au-Récollet*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—Three Petitions of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence, Montreal*,—the Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile Bethléem, Montreal*,—two Petitions of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of the City of *Montreal*,—and the Petition of Sister *Jane Mary Slocombe* and others, Sisters of Charity in charge of the General Hospital in the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *William Carleton Farnum* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *E. Bourgeois* and others, members of the Academy of *St. Jean*,—of *Mary McCarthy* and others, of the Institution for the Blind of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal*; praying aid for the St. Patrick's Hospital, of the City of *Montreal*.

Of the Natural History Society of the City of *Montreal*; praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of *Thomas Dohan* and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*,—of the Reverend *F. A. Guay* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Témiscouata*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Eusèbe Joseph Depoorter* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*Frères de la Charité de l'Hospice de St. Vincent de Paul*."

Of the Reverend *Hilaire Millier*, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Sorel*; praying aid for the General Hospital of the District of *Richelieu*.

Of *B. Pomroy* and others, of *Cookshire*,—of *C. J. Brydges* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; severally praying for an Act of Incorporation for the construction of a Railway.

Of the Municipal Councils of the Counties of *Stanstead*, *Compton*, *Richmond*, *Wolfe*, *Drummond*, *Arthabaska* and *Shefford*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the Agricultural Society of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying for the establishment of Agricultural Societies in each judicial district.

Of *James Davis* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*; praying for changes in some of the ranges of the said Township.

Of *Pierre Coutu* and others, of the Township of *Brandon*, County of *Berthier*; praying to be annexed to the County of *Joliette*.

Of *Joseph Decelle* and other Canadians, of *Woonsocket*,—of *J. B. Plante* and other Canadians, of *Vally Falls*, all of the State of *Rhode Island*,—of *F. R. Dessureau* and other Canadians, of *Meriden*, in the State of *Connecticut*,—of *Olivier Pilon* and other Canadians, of *West Rutland*,—of *Joseph Champagne* and other Canadians, of the Parish of *Richmond*, all of the State of *Vermont*,—of *Cornelius Jeannett* and other Canadians, of *Nashua*, State of *New Hampshire*,—of *Pierre Breaux* and other Canadians, of *Port Henry*,—of *Pierre L'Homme* and other Canadians, of *Rochester*, all of the State of *New York*,—of *Pierre Colin* and other Canadians, of *Springfield*,—of *Joseph Onésime Houde* and other Canadians, of *Manchang*,—of *U. Vaillant* and other Canadians, of *Fall River*, all of the State of *Massachusetts*; praying the *Quebec* Parliament to afford them the opportunity of returning to the country, by granting them the advantages it seems disposed to offer to European Immigrants.

The Honorable Mr. *Chouveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, reported to the House, that His Excellency, having been attended with their Address of Thursday last, was pleased to receive the same very graciously, and to give the following answer:

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:

The Address you have presented me attests your loyalty to our Gracious Sovereign, and your zeal in the Public Service.

I thank you in Her Majesty's name for the sentiments therein expressed, and, also, for the promptitude you have shewn in entering upon the business of the Session, and the performance of its attendant duties.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, .

Quebec, 23rd January, 1869.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report Lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House, reported that they had prepared Lists of Members accordingly, and the same were read as follows:

1. Privileges and Elections.—Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Bart., Honorable Messrs. *Dunkin*, *Ouimet*, and Messrs. *Bachand*, *Carter*, *Chapleau*, *Coutlée*, *Craig*, *Joly*, *Coupoire*, and *Simard*.

2. Standing Orders.—Honorable Messrs. *Langevin, Irvine*, and Messrs. *Bellingham, Benoit, Desaulniers*, (*Maskinongé*), *Gaudet, Gendron, Harwood, Locke, Marchand, Pelletier* and *Thérien*.

3. Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.—Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier, Bart.*, Honorable Messrs. *Cauchon, Chauveau, Dunkin, Irvine, Langevin*, and Messrs. *Bachand, Beaubien, Chapleau, Clément, Dumoulin, Fortin, Gaudet, Hemming, Lavallée, Molleur, Ogilvie, Pelletier, Pozer, Ross, Sénécal, Tremblay*, and *Verreault*.

4. Miscellaneous Private Bills.—Honorable Messrs. *Langevin, Ouimet*, and Messrs. *Beaubien, Bellerose, Bellingham, Blais, Carter, Chapleau, Church, Desaulniers*, (*St. Maurice*), *Dumoulin, Gaudet, Hemming, Locke, Marchand, Rhéaume*, and *Robertson*.

5. Expiring Laws.—Honorable Mr. *Ouimet*, and Messrs. *Beaudreau, Bessette, Craig, Hamilton, Harwood, Hearn, Laberge, LaRue, LeCavalier, Pozer*, and *Robert*.

6. Contingencies.—Honorable Messrs. *Chapais, Chauveau*, and Messrs. *Bellerose, Bellingham, Blais, Brigham, Cartier, Clément*, , *Jodoin, LaRue, LeCavalier, Moll, Picard, Robertson*, and *Scriver*.

7. Printing.—Honorable Messrs. *Dunkin Langevin*, and Messrs. *Coutlée, Gendron, Hemming*, and *Joly*.

8. Public Accounts.—Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier, Bart.*, and Honorable Messrs. *Dunkin, Ouimet*, and Messrs. *Bellerose, Bergevin, LeCavalier, Mathieu, Poupore, Pozer, Scriver, Simard*, and *Verreault*.

9. Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization.—Honorable Messrs. *Cauchon, Chapais, Chauveau, Dunkin, Irvine*, and Messrs. *Beaubien, Bessette, Church, Clément, Dugas, Fortin, Garon, Hamilton, Hearn, Jodoin, Joly, LaRue, Lavallée, Mailloux, Marchand, Mathieu, Picard, Robertson, Ross* and *Tremblay*.

Resolved, That this house doth concur in the said report.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee on Printing, namely, the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, Mr. *Coutlée*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Hemming*, and Mr. *Joly*, will act as Members of the said Joint Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, and the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Irvine*, and Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Joly*, and Mr. *Marchand*, be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

And then, the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 26th January, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Catherine Simpson* and others, Directresses and Managers of the House of Refuge in the City of Montreal.

By Mr. *Hamilton*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Metapedia*, County of *Bonaventure*.

By Mr. Hemming,—The Petition of the Honorable *Christopher Dunkin* and others, of *Drummondville*.

By Mr. Beaudreau,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Bélanger* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ours*, County of *Richelieu*.

By Mr. Pelletier,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *J. M. Rioux* and others, of the Township of *Buckland*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. Marchand,—The Petition of *Joseph Lemaire* and other Canadians, of *Woodstock*,—and the Petition of *P. M. Dufresne* and other Canadians, of *Swanton Falls*, both of the State of *Vermont*,—the Petition of *Médard Bouchard* and other Canadians, of *Albanyville*, State of *Rhode Island*,—the Petition of *Edouard Welling* and other Canadians, of *New York*, State of *New York*,—the petition of *Joseph Bélanger* and other Canadians, of *Détroit*, State of *Michigan*,—the Petition of *A. Charroux* and other Canadians, of *Wauragan*, State of *Connecticut*,—and the Petition of *Régis Roy* and other Canadians, of *Lowell*, State of *Massachusetts*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *David Bell* and others, of the Village of *Pembroke*, county of *Renfrew*,—and the Petition of the Clerical and Lay Members of the Synod of the Church of *England* and *Ireland* for the Diocese of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of the Bar of the Province of *Quebec*, Section of the District of *Montreal*,—the Petition of the Synod of the Diocese of *Montreal*,—the Petition of *Les Dames de l'Asile des Orphelines Catholiques*, of *Montreal*,—the Petition of *William Molson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*,—the Petition of *John H. Isaacson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*,—and the Petition of the *Montreal* Protestant Orphan Asylum.

By Mr. Dumoulin,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of the Reverend *V. Rousselot* and others, the Curé and Churchwardens of the *Fabrique* of *Notre Dame de Montréal*.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the first Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee, after having elected their Chairman, have examined the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *St. Germain de Rimouski*, and others ; praying that a part of the Parish of *Rimouski* be incorporated as a Town, under the name of "The town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*," and find that the notices which have been given are sufficient.

Your Committee recommend that their Quorum be reduced to Five Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to Five Members.

Mr. Bellerose, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee which was read as followeth :

Your Committee would recommend that their Quorum be reduced to Five Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to Five Members.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions to serve as a basis for an Address of welcome and congratulation to His Excellency the Governor-General.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of this House, in the name of the people of this Province, to offer to His Excellency the Governor-General its respectful congratulations on his happy advent among us, and to wish him, as well as Lady Young, a cordial welcome.

2. *Resolved*, That knowing the high reputation that the Right Honorable Sir John Young has acquired in the government of other important Colonies of the British Empire, the people of this Province recognize in the choice just made by Her Gracious Majesty, a fresh proof of Her solicitude for the good government of Canada, and the welfare of its inhabitants.

3. *Resolved*, That desiring to see our new Constitution carried out to the utmost advantage of all the Provinces which compose the Confederation, and productive of the greatest prosperity to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, we earnestly pray for the success of the government of His Excellency, and hope that His Excellency's residence in Canada may prove as agreeable to himself as profitable to the country.

4. *Resolved*, That, being in furtherance of the interests which the Constitution has confided to us, we appreciate fully the importance and responsibility of the task which has devolved on us, and, in the discharge of our duties, we shall not lose sight of the general interests of Confederation, and will be guided by that spirit of fidelity and attachment to Her Gracious Majesty, of which the people of this Province are now giving proof in their prompt co-operation with the Government of His Excellency in regard to the new organization of the Militia for the defence of the country.

5. *Resolved*, That His Excellency will always find us ready to give him our active co-operation in his efforts to promote the prosperity of the important possessions of Her Majesty confided to his care, as well as in the maintenance of order and harmony among all classes of Her Majesty's subjects.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Joly reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Mr. Joly reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read as followeth:

1. *Resolved*, That it is the duty of this House, in the name of the people of this Province, to offer to His Excellency the Governor-General its respectful congratulations on his happy advent among us, and to wish him, as well as Lady Young, a cordial welcome.

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vince are now giving proof in their prompt co-operation with the Government of His Excellency in regard to the new organization of the Militia for the defence of the country.

5. *Resolved*, That His Excellency will always find us ready to give him our active co-operation in his efforts to promote the prosperity of the important possessions of Her Majesty confided to his care, as well as in the maintenance of order and harmony among all classes of Her Majesty's subjects.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Resolved, That the said Resolutions be referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, and the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, and Mr. *Bellerose*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Verreault*, and Mr. *Robertson*, to prepare and report the draft of an Address to His Excellency the Governor General, in conformity to the said Resolutions.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* reported, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an address to His Excellency the Governor General, that they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read as followeth :

To His Excellency the Right Honorable Sir JOHN YOUNG, Baronet, one of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of Her Majesty's Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Her Majesty's Most distinguished Order of St. Michael and St. George, and Governor-General of the Dominion of Canada, &c., &c., &c.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's most dutiful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec, in Provincial Legislature assembled, beg leave in the name of the People of this Province, to offer to Your Excellency our respectful congratulations on your happy advent amongst us, and to wish Your Excellency, as well as Lady Young, a cordial welcome.

Knowing the high reputation that Your Excellency has acquired in the Government of other important Colonies of the British Empire, we would assure Your Excellency that the people of this Province recognise in the choice just made by Her Gracious Majesty, a fresh proof of Her solicitude for the good government of Canada and the welfare of its inhabitants.

We beg to assure Your Excellency that, desirous as we are of seeing our new Constitution carried out for the greater advantage of all the Provinces composing the Confederation, and the increased prosperity of all classes of Her Majesty's subjects, we earnestly pray for the success of Your Excellency's government, and hope that your residence in Canada may prove both agreeable to Your Excellency and beneficial to the Country.

We also beg leave to assure Your Excellency that being assembled in furtherance of the interests which the Constitution has confided to us, we fully appreciate the importance and responsibility of the task which has devolved on us, and in the discharge of our duties we shall not lose sight of the general interests of Confederation, and will be guided by that spirit of fidelity and attachment to Her Gracious Majesty, of which the people of this Province are now giving proof in their prompt co-operation with Your Excellency's government, in regard to the new organization of the Militia for the defence of the country.

We further beg Your Excellency to accept our assurance that you will always find us ready to give Your Excellency our active co-operation in Your efforts to promote the prosperity of the important possessions of Her Majesty confided to your

care, as well as in the maintenance of order and harmony among all classes of Her Majesty's subjects.

The said Address being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, informing their Honors that this House hath adopted an Address of welcome and congratulation to His Excellency the Governor General, and requesting the concurrence of their Honors thereto.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau do carry the said message to the Legislative Council.

Resolved, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Governor General, by a delegation composed of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine, and Mr. Dumoulin, Mr. Marchand, Mr. Ross, Mr. Rhéaume and Mr. Ogilvie, conjointly with the delegates who may be named by the Honorable the Legislative Council.

Resolved, That a message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau do carry the said message to the Legislative Council.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 27th January 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table :

By Mr. Church,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. Brigham,—The Petition of *Thomas Wood*, and others, of the Township of *Durham*, County of *Missisquoi*

By Mr. Benoit,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Primeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Chateaugay*.

By Mr. Robertson,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. Thérien,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Parish of *Laprairie*, County of *Laprairie*.

By M. Pelletier,—The Petition of the Reverend *G. F. E. Drolet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel*: the Petition of the Reverend *Ant. Campeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Etienne de Beaumont*; the Petition of the Reverend *E. Dufour* and others, of the Parish of *St. Lazare*; and the Petition of the Very Reverend *Al. Mailloux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, all of the County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. Robert,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. L. Paré* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ange-Gardien* and *St. Césaire*, County of *Rouville*, and the Petition of *Ambroise Lemonde* and others of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste* County of *Rouville*.

By Mr. Marchand,—The Petition of *Antoine Grégoire* and other Canadians of *Grenville*,—and the Petition of *Olivier Ducharme* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Collinsville*, both of the State of *Connecticut*,—the Petition of *Alexis Bourgeois* and other Canadians, of *Millbury*,—and the Petition of *Euclide Phénix* and other Canadians of the Town of *Worcester*, both of the State of *Massachusetts*,—the Petition of *Elie Boucher* and other Canadians, of *Schuyler Falls*, State of *New York*,—and the Petition of *W. Arsenault* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Hamlet*, State of *Rhode Island*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine,—The Petition of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Québec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet,—the Petition of the *St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*,—the Petition of *Les Dames Religieuses du Bon Pasteur*, *Directrices de l'Asile des Magdeleines*, *Montreal*,—the Petition of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, Director of the *Bonaventure* Street and *Nazareth* Asylums, in the City

of *Montreal*,—the Petition of Sister *Jane Mary Slocombe* and others, Sisters of Charity in charge of the General Hospital, *Montreal*,—the Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of the City of *Montreal*,—and the Petition of *William Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :—

Of *John Lemesurier* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*."

Of *Ambroise Gravelle* and others, of the Township of *Brandon*, County of *Berthier*,—and of *P. Cassidy* and others, of the Township of *Cranbourne*, County of *Dorchester*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Thomas Mackie* and others, the shareholders and officers of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*; praying that the capital stock of the said company be reduced.

Of the Reverend *Louis Saché* and others, of *Sault au Récollet*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*."

Of *Henry Porter* and others, of *Weedon*; praying that a part of the Township of *Weedon* be annexed to the Township of *South Ham*.

Of *La Société Bienveillante des Dames de Montreal*; praying that their annual grant be increased.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence, Montréal*; praying that the annual grant in favor of the Asylum of *St. Vincent de Paul* be continued.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid for the Asylum of *St. Vincent de Paul*; in the said City, for the last six months of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile Bethléem, of Montreal*; praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid for the Bonaventure Street Asylum, at *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid for the Nazareth Asylum, and also aid for an institution for the blind in the said City.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence, Montreal*,—and of Sister *Jane Mary Slocombe* and others, Sisters of Charity in charge of the General Hospital of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying that their annual grants be continued.

Of *P. N. Leclerc* and other Canadians, of *Woodstock*,—of *Isaïe Bédard* and other Canadians, of *Attawaugan*, all of the State of *Connecticut*,—of *Janvier Lebeau* and other Canadians, of *Westboro*,—of *Isaïe Paré* and other Canadians, of *Holyoke*, all of the State of *Massachusetts*,—of *Joseph Courtois* and other Canadians, of *Central Falls*,—of *Gédéon Lureux* and other Canadians of *Albion*, all of the State of *Rhode Island*,—of *Edouard Davignon* and other Canadians, of *Buffalo*, State of *New York*,—of *Pierre Eméry* and other Canadians, of *Bennington*, in the State of *Vermont*; severally praying the *Quebec* Parliament to afford them the opportunity of returning to the Province, by granting them the advantages it seems disposed to offer to European Immigrants.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Eusèbe Joseph Depoorter* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act incorporating them under the name of "*Frères de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul*," and find that this Petition is not of a nature to require previous notices to be given.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *Pierre Coutu* and others, of the Township of *Brandon*; praying that a part of the said Township be annexed to the County of *Joliette*, and find that the objects of the Petition fall under the category of those effected by Public Bills, and for that reason Your Committee are of opinion that no previous notices are required.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have proceeded to the election of their Chairman, and beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to Seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to Seven Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their Quorum be reduced to Seven Members.

Ordered, That the Quorum of the said Committee be reduced to Seven Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an Act intituled :—
An Act respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon* have leave to bring in a Bill to compel the proprietors of Toll-Bridges to keep the same in good condition for the protection of passengers, and for other objects therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Ouimet*.

Ordered, That the Petition presented last Session by the Municipality of the Township of *Percé*, County of *Gaspé* ; praying that the said Township may be divided into two separate Municipalities, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, and that it be an instruction to the said Committee to compare the Act passed last Session with the said Petition, and report whether there is an error in the said Act which requires to be corrected by an Act of this Session.

A message from the Legislative Council, by *Boucher de Boucherville*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery :

MR. SPEAKER.

The Legislative Council acquaint this House that they have appointed a Committee, composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Archambault*, *Dionne*, *Hale*, *Le-Maire*, *de Léry*, *Rodier* and *Ross*, to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of the Legislature, so far as the interests of the Legislative Council are concerned, and to act on behalf of their House as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

And, also, the Legislative Council acquaint this House that they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Beaudry*, *Ferrier*, *Hale*, *Thibaudeau*, and *Wood*, to act on behalf of the Legislative Council, with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as a Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Robertsan*, seconded by Mr. *Benoit*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of all the officers or employees of the Government in the different departments of the Public Service, in the City of *Quebec*, and in the various Judicial Districts of this Province, such as Clerks, Sheriffs, Prothonotaries, Clerks of the Peace, Jailers, Wardens of Reformatories, &c., &c., with the names of said officers or employees,

the amount of annual salary payable or paid to them respectively, whether as salary in money, or by fees of office, or both; and including also, house accommodation, or the use of any article, animal, fuel, lights, &c., belonging to the Government, and that the several departments in *Quebec* be kept distinct, and that the names of the officers or employees be given, and the amounts paid to said officers or employees in the several districts, and be arranged by districts; the intention being to obtain a complete Return of all those employed by and under the Provincial Government, with the remuneration of every kind paid them respectively, whether specially mentioned herein or not.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands for the year 1868 (Sessional Papers No. 1).

And then the House adjourned, till To-morrow.

Thursday, 28th January, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House, Statement of the Turnpike Road Company of *Isle Jésus*, County of *Laval*, for 1868 (Sessional Papers No. 11).

Also, Report of the Society of *L'Union St. Pierre du Village Bienville de Lévis* (Sessional Papers No. 6).

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Sénical*,—The Petition of *N. Parenteau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pie de Déguise*, and the Petition of *F. R. Vanope*, and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel d'Yamaska*.

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Guay* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Témiscouata*.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of *Hubert Blais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Vallier*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *LaRue*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. Provancher* of the Parish of *Portneuf*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of the Reverend *D. Charland*, of the Parish of *St. Clément*, County of *Beauharnois*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read :

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Metapedia*, County of *Bonaventure*,—of the Reverend *M. Rioux* and others, of the Township of *Buckland*, County of *Bellechasse*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of the Reverend *Joseph M. Rioux* and others, of the Township of *Buckland*, in the County of *Bellechasse*, and of *Standon*, in the County of *Dorchester*; praying aid for the *Taché* Road.

Of the Honorable *Christopher Dunkin* and others, of *Drummondville*; praying that an Act be passed to put into force the Act Chapter one hundred and eleven of the Statutes of *Canada*.

Of the Bar of the Province of *Quebec*, Section of the District of *Montreal*; praying for amendments to Chapter 93 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Bélanger* and others, of the Parish of *St. Ours*, County of *Richelieu*; praying an annual grant for a school in the said Parish.

Of *David Bell* and others, of the Village of *Pembroke*, County of *Renfrew*,—and of *William Molson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*: severally praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *John H. Isaacson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*: praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The English Workingmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*."

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot* and others, the Curé and Church-wardens of the *Fabrique de Notre Dame de Montréal*, praying for the passing of an Act to enlarge the new cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Three-Rivers*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Protestant Orphan Asylum of *Montreal*,—of *Les Dames de l'Asile des Orphelins Catholiques de Montréal*,—and of *Mrs. Catherine Simpson* and others, Directress and Managers of the House of Refuge in the City of *Montreal*; severally praying that their annual grants be continued.

Of the Synod of the Diocese of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act giving the Dean of the United Church of England and Ireland at *Montreal*, all the powers of a Bishop, until such time as a Bishop be appointed.

Of the Clerical and Lay Members of the Synod of the Church of England and Ireland, for the Diocese of *Montreal*; praying that the conclusions of the Petition of the Synod of the Diocese of *Montreal* be not granted.

Of *Joseph Lemaire* and other Canadians of *Woodstock*,—of *P. M. Dufresne* and other Canadians of *Swanton Falls*, all of the State of *Vermont*,—of *Médard Boucher* and other Canadians of *Albanyville*, in the State of *Rhode Island*,—of *Edward Welling* and other Canadians of *New York*, in the State of *New York*,—of *Joseph Bélanger* and other Canadians of *Detroit*, in the State of *Michigan*,—of *A. Charroux* and other Canadians, of *Wauregan*, in the State of *Connecticut*,—and of *Régis Roy* and other Canadians, of *Lowell*, in the State of *Massachusetts*; severally praying the Parliament of *Quebec* to afford them the opportunity of returning to the Province, by granting them the advantages it appears disposed to offer to European Immigrants.

Mr. Bellerose, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:—

Your Committee have the honor to submit to Your Honorable House, the Estimates hereto annexed, which have been prepared by the Accountant, of the amount which will be required for the Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Assembly, from this date until the Twenty-eighth day of February proximo. According to this Estimate, the amount required will be \$16,000.

Your Committee, satisfied with the reasonableness of these Estimates, accordingly recommend to Your Honorable House the adoption of the following resolution:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to issue his Warrant, in favor of *George Manly Muir*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) towards defraying the Contingent Expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE,
28th January, 1869.

STATEMENT of sums required to meet the disbursement of the Legislative Assembly, from 28th January to 28th February, 1869.

| | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------|------|----|------|
| Amount overdrawn at Bank of <i>Montreal</i> | 509 | 68 | | |
| Indemnity to Members..... | 10,000 | 00 | | |
| Salaries..... | 2,666 | 55 | | |
| Extra Service..... | 787 | 50 | | |

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|---------------------------------|----------|-----|----|----------|----|
| Messengers..... | | 717 | 50 | | |
| Stationery..... | | 150 | 00 | | |
| Printing and Binding..... | | 218 | 77 | | |
| Newspapers and Advertising..... | | 250 | 00 | | |
| ● MISCELLANEOUS : | | | | | |
| Permanent Women..... | \$ 24.00 | | | | |
| Extra Charwomen..... | 126.00 | | | | |
| Postage..... | 400.00 | | | | |
| Sundries..... | 150.00 | | | | |
| | | 700 | 00 | 16,000 | 00 |
| Being amount provided..... | | | | \$16,000 | 00 |

J. B. FROCHETTE,
Accountant,
Legislative Assembly.

Mr. de Lotbinière Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of B. Pomroy and others ; praying for an Act of Incorporation to build a Railroad from some point on the Grand Trunk at or near Lennoxville, and following up the Valley of the St. Francis River, to terminate in the vicinity of Lake St. Francis ; and find that the notices which have been given are sufficient.

Ordered, That Mr. Picard have leave to bring in a Bill to render valid all Notarial Acts which were not countersigned at the time of the promulgation of the Civil Code, on account of the death of the second Notary who ought to have countersigned such Acts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Molleur have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday next.

On motion of Mr. Bellerose, seconded by Mr. Dumoulin,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, either a Statement of all arrangements, or a copy of all resolutions adopted by the Turnpike Road Commissioners of the Island of Montreal, in relation to any arrangements which may have been entered into in 1867 or 1868, between the said Commissioners and the Turnpike Road Company of St. Michel, respecting the question of placing only one turnpike upon the road of the said Company, and the Victoria and Papi-néau Road, under the control of the said Commissioners.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-

Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 29th January, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the Corporation of "*L'Union St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis*." (Sessional Papers No. 6.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. Ross,—The Petition of A. S. Martin and others, of the Township of Clifton, County of Compton.

By Mr. Beaubien,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of Montreal, and others.

By Mr. Desaulniers (St. Maurice),—The petition of the Reverend A. H. B. Lassiseraye and others, of the Parish of Cap de la Magdeleine,—the Petition of the Reverend J. H. Dorion and others, of the Parish of Yamachiche,—the Petition of the Reverend J. D. Corneau and others, of the Parish of St. Boniface,—and the Petition of the Reverend S. de Carufel and others, of the Parish of St. Etienne, all of the County of St. Maurice.

By Mr. Dumoulin,—The Petition of S. E. Gervais and others,—and the Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of Antsédon and others, all of the City of Three Rivers.

By Mr. Beaudreau,—The Petition of Adolphe Bruneau and others, of the Town of Sorel.

By Mr. Fortin,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Mal-Bay,—the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Cape Cove,—the Petition of the Municipality of the Townships of Newport and Pabos,—and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of Percé.

By Mr. Pelletier,—The Petition of the Reverend P. Pouliot and others, of the Parish of St. Gervais, County of Bellechasse.

By Mr. Marchand,—The Petition of Alexis Artois and other Canadians, of the Village of Natick,—the Petition of Narcisse Laplante and other Canadians, of the Villages of Phenix and Atnà,—the Petition of Hilaire Couillard and other Canadians, of the Village of Crompton,—the Petition of Joseph Proulx and other Canadians, of the Village of Quidnick,—the Petition of Joseph Poudrier and other Canadians, of the Village of Arctic, all of the State of Rhode Island,—and the Petition of Henry Lord and other Canadians, of Biddeford, State of Maine.

By Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood,—The Petition of A. C. de Lotbinière-Harwood and others, of the Township of Newton, County of Vaudreuil.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of Thomas Workman and others, of the City of Montreal.

By the Honorable Mr. Langevin,—The Petition of the Reverend Father François Xavier and others, of Ste. Justine de la Trappe, in the Township Langevin.

By Mr. Gaudet,—The Petition of E. Landry and others, of the Parish of Bécancour,—the Petition of the Reverend J. Harper and others, of the Parish of St. Grégoire,—and the Petition of the Reverend A. N. Bellemare and others, of the Parish St. Jean-Baptiste de Nicolet, all of the county of Nicolet.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of the Town Council of the Town of Sherbrooke; praying for an Act of Incorporation for the construction of a wooden Railway.

Of Thomas Wood and others, of the Township of Durham, County of Missisquoi; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Reverend *J. Primeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Chateauguay*; praying to be annexed to the Parish of *St. Patrick* of *Sherrington*, County of *Napierville*.

Of the Reverend *G. F. E. Drolet* and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel*,—of the Reverend *Antoine Campeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Etienne de Beaumont*,—of the Reverend *E. Dufour* and others, of the Parish of *St. Lazare*,—and of the Very Reverend *Al. Mailloux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, all in the County of *Bellechasse*; severally praying that the said County of *Bellechasse* be separated from the Judicial District of *Montmagny*, and annexed to that of *Quebec*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of the Reverend *P. L. Paré* and others, of the Parishes of *L'Ange Gardien* and *St. Césaire*, County of *Rouville*; praying aid for a Road.

Of *Ambroise Lemonde* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean-Baptiste*, County of *Rouville*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the Reverend *J. Gravel* and others, of the Parish of *Laprairie*, County of *Laprairie*; praying aid for an asylum in the said Parish.

Of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*,—and of the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; severally praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of the *St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*,—Of *Les Dames Religieuses du Bon Pasteur*, *Directrices de l'Asile des Magdelines*, *Montreal*,—of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, Director of the Bonaventure Street and Nazareth Asylums, in the City of *Montreal*,—and of Sister *June Mary Slocombe* and others, Sisters of Charity, in charge of the General Hospital, *Montreal*; severally praying aid for the last six months of eighteen hundred and sixty-seven.

Of *les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of the City of *Montreal*,—and of *William Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying aid for the erection of a House of Refuge in the Jacques Cartier Ward of the said City.

Of *Antoine Grégoire* and other Canadians, of *Greenville*,—of *Olivier Ducharme* and other Canadians, of *Collinsville*, all in the State of *Connecticut*,—of *Alexis Bourgois* and other Canadians, of *Millbury*,—of *Euclide Phénix* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Worcester*, all in the State of *Massachusetts*,—of *Elie Boucher* and other Canadians, of *Schuyler's Falls*, State of *New York*,—and of *W. Arseneault* and other Canadians, of the Town of *Hamlet*, State of *Rhode Island*; severally praying the Parliament of *Quebec* to afford them the opportunity of returning to the Province, by granting them the advantages it appears disposed to offer to European Immigrants.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and find that in each case the notices that have been given are sufficient, namely:—

Of *Wm. Carleton Farnum* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*; praying for an Act of Incorporation,—of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of *Three Rivers*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation, of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, Curé and Churchwardens of the Parish of *Ville Marie* of *Montreal*, and others; praying for an Act for enlarging the new Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*,—and of the Synod of the Diocese of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act giving certain powers to the Dean of the Church of *England and Ireland*, in *Montreal*.

As to the Petition of the Reverend *Louis Saché* and others, of *Sault-au-Récollet*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*,"—as to that of *Wm. Molson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation,—and as to that of *John H. Isaacson* and others, of the said City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of "*The English Workingmen's Benefit Society*," of *Montreal*, Your Committee are of opinion that these Petitions are of a nature not requiring any Notice.

As to the Petition of *Henry Porter* and others, of *Weedon*; praying that a part of the Township of *Weedon* be annexed to the Township of *South Ham*, Your Committee find that the objects of this Petition fall under the category of those effected by Public Bills, and for that reason Your Committee are of opinion that no Notice is required.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

The Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, in obedience to the Order of Your Honorable House referring to this Committee the Petition presented last Session by the Municipality of the Township of *Percé*, for the division of the said Township into two separate Municipalities, and the instruction of Your Honorable House to compare the Act passed during the said Session relating to the same with the said Petition, and report whether there is an error in the said Act requiring to be corrected by an Act of this Session, have the honor to report :—

1. The Committee have compared the Act passed during the last Session under Chapter 30, intituled : “An Act to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Percé*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities,” with the Petition presented to Your Honorable House by the said Municipality, and find that in the second section of the said Act there is a manifest error, in so far as it includes within the limits of the Municipality of *Cape Cove* therein mentioned, the Seigniori and Township of *Grand River*.

2. That in the opinion of this Committee, it is necessary that an Act should be passed this Session to amend the aforesaid Act, by erasing the following words in the said second section, to wit : “and also the Seigniori and the Township of *Grand River*”; and that such amending Act should contain a provision declaring all acts and proceedings had and taken since the passing of said Act, Chapter 30, by the Municipalities of *Cape Cove* and *Grand River* respectively, valid, and as if such words had not been included in the said section.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Langevin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to empower the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Montréal* to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dumoulin* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the “*St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company*.”

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary papers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill for continuing the Legislature of *Quebec* in case of the demise of the Crown.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lavallée* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral and registration purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law respecting Jurors and Juries.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by Mr. *Picard*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to issue his warrant in favor of *George Manly Muir*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of sixteen thousand dollars, towards defraying the Contingent Expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

A message from the Legislative Council by *Boucher de Boucherville*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint this House that their Honors have concurred in the Address to His Excellency the Governor-General, as requested by their message of yesterday; and that the Honorable Messieurs *Beaubien*, *Wood*, and *Dostaler* compose the delegation to present to His Excellency the Governor-General the said Address, conjointly with the delegates who have been named by the Legislative Assembly.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bachand*, seconded by Mr. *Carter*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence which may have taken place between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Canada*, and between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, in reference to immigration.

On motion of Mr. *Mailloux*, seconded by Mr. *LeCavalier*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all the reports of the prison inspectors, relating to the prison of the judicial district of *Kamouraska* made since the report of 1863; and the presentment of the grand juries since that time, upon the state of the Court House and prison of the said judicial district.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 1st February, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the Corporation of *l'Union St. Joseph de St. Joseph de Lévis*, for the year 1867–8. (Sessional Papers No. 6.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of *Louis Carrier* and others, of the Town of *Lévis*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of *Léon David* and others, of the Township of *Hull*, County of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Pozzer*,—The Petition of *David G. Pozzer* and others, of the Parish of *St. George*,—and the Petition of *G. Perron* and others, of the Parish of *St. Frédéric*, all of the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Dumoulin*,—The Petition of *Sévère Dumoulin* and others, Commissioners for the Charitable Institutions of the City and District of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*,—the Petition of *l'Hospice de la Maternité de St. Joseph, Quebec*,—the Petition of Mrs. *Eliza M. Massue* and other Ladies, Directresses of the Charitable Association of Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*,—and the Petition of *Olivier Robitaille*, M. D., of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of the Sisters of Charity of the Village of *Plessisville de Somerset*, County of *Megantic*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of the Honorable *Charles Mondelet* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *James P. Clark* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Bachand*,—The Petition of *Philip Hamon* and others, of the Townships of *Neuport* and *Pabos*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Grande Rivière*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:—

Of *N. Parenteau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pie de Deguise*; praying that the said Parish be erected into a Local and School Municipality.

Of *F. R. Vanasse* and others, of the Parish of *St. Michel d'Yamaska*; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing them to have their rights defined in the Common of the Seigniorship of *Yamaska*.

Of the Reverend *F. X. Guay* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Témiscouata*,—of *A. S. Martin* and other, of the Township of *Clifton*, County of *Compton*,—and of the Reverend *Father François Xavier* and others, of *Ste. Justine de la Trappe*, in the Township of *Langevin*, severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Hubert Blais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Valier*,—and of the Reverend *P. Pouliot* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gervais*, all of the County of *Bellechasse*; severally praying that the said County of *Bellechasse* be detached from the judicial district of *Montmagny*, and annexed to the district of *Quebec*.

Of the Reverend *L. Provancher*, of the Parish of *Portneuf*; praying aid for the publication of the "*Naturaliste Canadien*."

Of the Reverend *D. Charland*, of the Parish of *St. Clément*, County of *Beauhar- nois*; praying for an annual grant in favor of the *Hospice de St. Joseph de Beauhar- nois*.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Montreal* and others; praying aid for the Deaf and Dumb Institution of the City of *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *A. H. B. Lassieraye* and others, of the Parish of *Cap de la Magdeleine*,—of the Reverend *J. H. Dorion* and others, of the Parish of *Yamachiche*,—of the Reverend *J. D. Comeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Boniface*,—of the Reverend *J. D. S. de Carufel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Etienne*, all in the County of *St. Maurice*,—of *S. E. Gervais* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*,—of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *Anthédon* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*,—of *Elz. Landry* and others, of the Parish of *Bécancour*,—of the Reverend *J. Harper* and others, of the Parish of *St. Grégoire*,—of the Reverend *A. N. Bellemare* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste de Nicolet*, all in the County of *Nicolet*; severally praying that the North Shbre Railway Company be separated from the Piles Railway Company.

Of *Adolphe Bruneau* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of *l'Union de St. Joseph de Sorel*.

Of *Thomas Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of *A. C. de Lotbinière-Harwood* and others, of the Township of *Newton*, County of *Vaudreuil*; praying that the line of the third range of the said Township of *Newton* be rectified.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Mal-Bay*,—of the Municipality of *Cape Cove*,—of the Municipality of the Townships of *Newport* and *Pabos*,—and of the Municipality of the Township of *Percé*; severally praying for the repeal of Section 28, Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

Of *Alexis Artois* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Natick*,—of *Narcisse Laplante* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Phoenix* and *Etna*,—of *Hilaire Couillard* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Crompton*,—of *Joseph Proulx* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Quidnick*,—of *Joseph Poudrier* and other Canadians, of the Village of *Arctic*, all in the State of *Rhode Island*,—and of *Henry Lord* and other Canadians, of *Biddeford*, State of *Maine*; severally praying the Parliament of *Quebec* to afford them an opportunity of returning to the Province by granting them the advantages it appears disposed to offer to European Immigrants.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bachand* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 2nd February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. Bellerose,—The Petition of *Honoré Guay* and others, of the Town of *Lévis*.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *John Bethune*, Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Churchwardens of *St. George's Church, Montreal*.

By Mr. Laberge,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. L. Pominville* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Châteauguay*.

By Mr. Bachand,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others, of the Parish of *Grande Rivière*,—the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Grande Rivière*,—and the Petition of *Charles Robin* and others, of the Township of *Percé*.

By Mr. Chapleau,—The Petition of the Reverend *S. Tassé* and others, of *Ste. Thérèse de Blainville*.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented to the House, the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Honorable *Christopher Dunkin* and others; praying for an Act to revive or put in force Act Chapter One Hundred and Eleven of the Statutes of Canada; and also that of *John Lemesurier* and others, inhabitants of the Province of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*," and find the Notices given in each case sufficient.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Reverend *J. Primeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, in the District and Seigniorship of *Beauharnois*; praying that part of the said Parish be annexed to the Parish of *St. Patrice de Sherrington*, and is of opinion that it is a Petition not requiring any notice.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—Public Accounts of the Province of *Quebec*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1868, and for the six and eighteen months ending 31st December, 1868. (Sessional Papers, No. 3.)

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the members of the Honorable Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, copies of orders in Council, dated respectively on the eighteenth and on the twentieth December, 1868, respecting the office of Queen's Printer, and the publication of the *Quebec Official Gazette*. (Sessional Papers, No. 14.)

Also, the Evaluation-roll of the municipality of *l'Ange-Gardien*, County of *Montmorency*, revised the 3rd July, 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 12.)

And also, Statements of the affairs of the General-Hospital of the district of *Richelieu*,—of the *Three-Rivers Hospital*,—of the *Montreal General Hospital*,—and of the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*, including House of Refuge, all for the year ending 31st December, 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 6.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Pelletier* have leave to bring in a Bill to detach for judicial purposes, the county of *Bellechasse* from the district of *Montmagny*, and to annex the same to the District of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul* of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province of *Quebec*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June 1863, and for the six and eighteen months ending 31st December, 1868, be printed for the use of the members of this House.

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province of *Quebec*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1868, and for the six and eighteen months ending 31st December, 1868, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

M. *Bellerose*, from the standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the third report of the said Committee, which was read as followth :—

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, QUEBEC,

2nd February, 1869.

Third Report of the Select Standing Committee on Contingencies:—

Your Committee have the honor to report that the Sub-Committee, consisting of Messrs. *Bellingham*, *Moll*, *LeCavalier* and *Blais*, to which was referred the Reports of the Clerk of the House, his Assistant and other employees, reported : That they found all the documents submitted to them to evince great care and attention to their duties by the different officials of the House who prepared them." That your Committee have approved of said Report, and pray that your Honorable House do adopt the same.

Your Committee have the honor also to submit to Your Honorable House the following Resolution, and to pray that the same be adopted.

Resolved, That the Report of the Sub-Committee, hereto appended marked A, to which was submitted the state of the books, accounts and expenditure of the House of Assembly, for the year ending December, 31st, 1868, be adopted.

The whole respectfully submitted.

J. H. BELLEROSE,
Chairman.

A.

The Sub-Committee appointed by the Contingent Committee to report on the state of the Books, Accounts and Expenditure of the House of Assembly, for the year ending December 31, 1868, beg leave to report :—

That they have examined into the details of the whole expenditure, since December 27, 1867, up to December 31st last past, for the House of Assembly, and find that it amounts to the sum of \$82,618.39 for all purposes, including Indemnity to Members, Salaries, Printing and Binding, Stationary, Office Furniture and Incidental Expenses. The appropriations made at the last Session of the House for said purposes, were..... \$88,927.45

The amount actually paid by Warrant from Treasury Department was..... 85,000.00

Leaving still in Treasurer's hands..... \$3,927.45
Also cash in Bank subject to Cheque of Clerk of the House..... 2,381.61

Leaving unexpended on appropriation..... \$6,309.06

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| It should be borne in mind also that there has been paid for printing of the Municipal and Agricultural Acts not contemplated when the said appropriations were made..... | | 1,589.84 |
| For Salaries paid by order of Executive Council previous to December 27, 1867..... | | 930.54 |
| For Extra Copies of Report on Agriculture..... | | 237.00 |
| “ Sundry travelling expenses, postage, &c..... | | 149.84 |
| “ Books Law Clerks Office..... | | 321.18 |
| “ Printing Tables and statistical judicial Matters..... | | 43.00 |
| “ Stationary purchased for 1869..... | | 1,519.59 |
| “ Account Mr. Brousseau..... | | 409.17 |

The whole amounting to the sum of..... \$11,509.22

Which is in fact, by that amount less than the appropriation made by the House last Session, that is \$6,309.06 in the hands of the Provincial Treasurer and in Cash, at the Credit of the Clerk of the House, and \$5,200.16 actually paid out over and above what was contemplated when the appropriations were made.

It is to be remarked, also, that of the Municipal Acts printed as aforesaid, there remains undistributed 904 French Copies and 785 English Copies, and of the Agricultural Acts, 100 French Copies and 345 English Copies; and also that the amount expended, as aforesaid, includes the salaries of the Extra Employees of the House, whose services were dispensed with at the close of last Session.

Your Committee have examined all the Accounts and Books of the Department and find these correct and kept in good order.

The Vouchers for the Expenditure have also been examined and found regularly filed, certified in the manner required by the rules of the House and agree with the amount charged in the Books.

Your Committee recommend the keeping up of the old rules as to the certifying of all accounts to be paid, and would also urge the propriety of strictly adhering to the practice of economy in the expenses of the House.

Respectfully submitted.

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| J. H. BELLEROSE, J. G. ROBERTSON, JULIUS SCRIVER, N. M. LeCAVALIER, | } Sub-Committee. |
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Committee Room,
February 1st, 1869. }

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

The House, according to Order, proceeded to take into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature.

And a motion being made that a Supply be granted to Her Majesty;

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of that motion.

Ordered, That that part of His Excellency's Speech, which relates to a Supply, be referred to the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellingham* reported: That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the amendments be taken into consideration on Friday next.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 3rd February, 1869.

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House that his Warrant for the appointment of Members to serve on the General Committee of Elections was upon the Table,— and the said Warrant was read, as follows:—

Pursuant to the thirty-first section of chapter seven of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections,"

I do hereby appoint *Henri Gustave Joly*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral District of *Lotbinière*, *Joseph Hyacinthe Bellerose*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral District of *Laval*, *Antoine Cartier de Lotbinière-Harwood*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral District of *Vaudreuil*, *Edward Carter*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral District of *Montreal Centre*, *Pierre Bachand*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral District of *St. Hyacinthe*, and *Edward John Hemming*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral District of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, to be Members of "The General Committee of Elections," for the present Session.

Given under my hand, this third day of February, 1869.

J. G. BLANCHET,

Speaker, Legislative Assembly.

Pursuant to the 46th section of chapter 7, of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of Canada, intituled: "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," the Clerk read over an Alphabetical List of the Members of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth:

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits to the Legislative Assembly, copies of all Correspondence which may have taken place between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Canada*, and between the Governments of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, in reference to Immigration. (Sessional Papers No. 13.)

Government House,
Quebec, 2nd February, 1869. }

Ordered, That the said Message together with the accompanying Correspondence, be printed for the use of Members.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Ordres, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Adolphe Bruneau* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*; praying to be incorporated under the name of "Union St. Joseph" of *Sorel*,—and that of *Thomas Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated for the purpose of preventing cruelty to animals, and find, that in the first case, no notice in English have been published in any of the Provincial Newspapers; and in the second case, that no notices have been given; but your Committee are of opinion that these Petitions are such as do not require any notice.

As to the following Petitions; that of *Thomas Mackie* and others; praying for the reduction of the Capital of the *St. Francis* Mining and Smelting Company, and that of *Thomas Wood* and others, of the Township of *Dunham*; praying for an Act

of Incorporation, for the construction of a Railroad, Your Committee find that no notices in French have been published in any Local Newspaper.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter have leave to bring in a Bill to amend 29 Vict., Chap. 17, relating to Life Assurances.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Robert,—The Petition of *F. Larose* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hilaire*, County of *Rouville*.

By Mr. Picard,—The Petition of *E. S. Darche* and others, of the Township of *North Ham* and *South Ham*.

By Mr. Pelletier,—The Petition of *Octave Roy* and others, of the Township of *Armagh*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *Frederick Fearon* of Moorgate Street, in the city of *London, England*, Esquire, *Henry Mather Jackson*, of *Lincoln's Inn*, in the County of *Middlesex, England*, Esquire, and *George Barnard Townsend*, of *Storey's Gate, Westminster*, in the said County of *Middlesex*, Esquire, Trustees of the *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock, and Wharfage Company*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :—

Of *Louis Carrier* and others, of the Town of *Lévis*; praying for an Act of Incorporation to construct a Railway from *Lévis* to *Kennebec*.

Of *Léon David* and others, of the Township of *Hull*, County of *Ottawa*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of *La Société St. Joseph de Notre Dame de Hull*.

Of *James P. Clark* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of "The Montreal Sailor's Institute."

Of *David G. Pozer* and others, of the Parish of *St. George*, County of *Beauce*; praying aid for a Bridge over the *Famine River*.

Of *G. Perron* and others, of the Parish of *St. Frédéric*, County of *Beauce*; praying for amendments to the Jury Law.

Of *Sévère Dumoulin* and others, Commissioners for the Charitable Institutions of the City and District of *Three Rivers*,—of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*,—and of the Sisters of Charity of the village of *Plessisville de Somerset*, County of *Megantic*; severally praying for aid.

Of *l'Hospice St. Joseph de la Maternité de Québec*; praying that its annual grant be continued.

Of Mrs. *Eliza M. Massue* and other Ladies, Directresses of the Charitable Association of Catholic Ladies of *Quebec*; praying that their annual grant be increased.

Of the Honorable *Charles Mondelet* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the "*Montreal Eye and Ear Hospital*" be re-established.

Of *Olivier Robitaille*, of the City of *Quebec*, Physician; praying to be authorized to sell the movable and immovable property of the late *Angus Macdonald*.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Grande Rivière*,—and of *Philip Hamon* and others, of the Townships of *Newport* and *Pabos*; severally praying for the repeal of section 28, chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

Mr. Speaker reported to the House, that the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, and the other members of the Deputation appointed by this House to present the Joint Address of Congratulation of both Houses to His Excellency the Governor-

General, had presented the said Address, which His Excellency had received very graciously and to which he was pleased to give the following answer :

*Honorable Gentlemen
and Gentlemen :*

I receive with much pleasure your loyal and dutiful Address, and beg to thank you very sincerely for the congratulations you offer me on my arrival as Her Majesty's Representative.

Lady Young also is much obliged by the cordial welcome you have extended to her.

Your promises of co-operation are very grateful to me, and cannot fail to be of material service in securing the harmonious action of the various portions of the Government.

I turn, however, with peculiar satisfaction to that portion of your Address in which you assure me that, in the discharge of the duties which the Constitution has entrusted to you, you will not lose sight of the general interests of Confederation.

I thank you for this assurance, and I fully appreciate its great importance. My earnest prayer is that the Provincial Chambers may always approach legislation in a similar spirit, which, while wisely anxious for the promotion of all local interests, shall be not less zealous for the furtherance of those wider and truly national interests which are essential to the prosperity and power of the Dominion at large.

On my part I can very freely assure you of my earnest desire to co-operate with you in the promotion of the general welfare. Under the blessing of Divine Providence, I trust that our united efforts may meet with their reward in the consciousness of duties honorably fulfilled, and in the view of a prosperous and contented people.

(Signed,)

JOHN YOUNG.

The Honorable Mr. Chauveau, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of Quebec, delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :—

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec transmits to the Legislative Assembly the Report of the Queen's Printer, shewing the number of copies of the Acts of the previous Session which have been printed and distributed by him, the Departments, Administrative Bodies, Officers and persons to whom they have been distributed, the number of copies delivered to each, and under what authority, the number of copies of Acts of each Session remaining on his hands, together with a detailed account of the expenses incurred by him in the printing and distribution of the said Statutes. (Sessional Papers No. 14.)

Government House,
Quebec, 3rd February, 1869. }

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 4th February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Craig,—The Petition of *Charles Dorion* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*.

By Mr. Pozer,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. B. Hallé* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton*, *Price*, *Aylmer* and *Gayhurst*.

By Mr. LeCavalier,—The Petition of *Les Sœurs Marianites de Ste. Croix*, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques-Cartier*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *E. Beaudet* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.
 By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau*, Director of the Deaf and Dumb Institution of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Mailoux*,—The Petition of *Thomas P. Pelletier* and others, of the Parish of *Trois-Pistoles*,—and the Petition of *Antoine Belavance* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, all of the County of *Témiscouata*.

By Mr. *Robert*,—Two Petitions of *Ambroise Lemonde* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Baptiste*, County of *Rouville*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of the "St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock, and Wharfage Company."

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Honoré Guay* and others, of the Town of *Lévis*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*La Société Bienveillante de St. Jean Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis*."

Of the Very Reverend *John Bethune*, Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens of *St. George's Church, Montreal*; praying to be authorized to sell or mortgage a property belonging to the said Church.

Of the Reverend *P. Tassé* and others, of *St. Thérèse de Blainville*; praying for a free grant of land for the construction of a Colonization Railway north of *Montreal*, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *L. L. Pominville* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Chateauguay*; praying for aid to deepen the River passing through the said Parish.

Of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others, of the Township of *Grande Rivière*; of the Municipality of the Township of *Grande Rivière*; and of *Charles Robin* and others, of the Township of *Percé*; severally praying for the repeal of Section 28, Chapter 109, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :—

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec* transmits to the Legislative Assembly, copy of an Order in Council adopted by His Excellency the Administrator of the Government, on the subject of a Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Louis Hydraulic Company*,"—and also of a Report of Mr. *Page*, Chief Engineer of the Department of Public Works, mentioned in the said Order. (Sessional Papers No. 15.)

Government House,
Quebec, 4th February, 1869. }

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by Mr. *Robertson*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Ordered, That the Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, relating to the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Louis Hydraulic Company*" and the Report of Mr. *Page* accompanying the same, be printed for the use of Members.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 5th February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinongé)*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *Rivière-du-Loup*,—and the Petition of *G. Caron* and others, of the Parish of *St. Léon*, all of the County of *Maskinongé*.

By Mr. *Robert*,—The Petition of *Félix Rainville* and others, of the Parish of *St. Angèle*, County of *Rouville*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *Charles Alexander* and others,—and the Petition of *A. Bernard* and others, all of the City of *Montreal*,—Two Petitions of the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge,—the Petition of the Medical Faculty of *McGill University*,—the Petition of the Very Reverend *John Bethune* and others,—the Petition of the Reverend *Charles Bancroft* and others,—the Petition of the Reverend *George Slack* and others, and the Petition of *James Muir* and others, Members of the Clergy and Laity of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Möll*,—The Petition of *E. Octavian Cuthbert* and others, of the Parishes of *Berthier*, *Ile du Pads*, and other places, in the County of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of *J. M. Currier* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *F. Larose* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hilaire*, County of *Rouville* ; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of *E. S. Darche* and others, of the Townships of *North Ham* and *South Ham*,—and of *Octave Roy* and others, of the Township of *Armagh*, County of *Bellechasse* ; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Frederick Fearon*, of Moorgate Street, in the City of *London, England*, Esquire, *Henry Mather Jackson*, of *Lincoln's Inn*, in the County of *Middlesex, England*, Esquire, and *George Barnard Townsend*, of *Storey's Gate, Westminster*, in the said County of *Middlesex, England*, Esquire, Trustees of the *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock*, and *Wharfage Company* ; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the said Company.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Ouimet*, and the Question being put, that when this House adjourns this day, it stand adjourned until Tuesday, the 16th instant ;

The House divided ; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows :

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaudreau,</i> | <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Church,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Möll,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Atty.-Gen.),</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Irvine (Sol.-Gén.),</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Maski-</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>nongé),</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St. Mau-</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>rice),</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Sénécal, and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Thérien.—41.</i> |

NAYS :

Messieurs

*Bachand,
Benoit,
Clément,
Hamilton,*

*Hearn,
Lavallée,
Locke,
Molleur,*

*Pozer,
Ross,
Scriver,
Simard, and*

Tremblay.—13.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :—

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *James Davis* and others, of the Township of *Onslow* ; praying for the rectification of certain lines in some ranges in the said Township,—of *Olivier Robitaille*, Physician, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying for authority to sell the Real Estate of *Angus Macdonald*, deceased, and find the Notices given in these two cases sufficient.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *David Bell* and others, of the County of *Renfrew* ; praying for an Act of Incorporation, and find that the Notices only began to be published towards the end of Decemoeer last, but seeing that two months will have nearly expired before the Committee on Private Bills take the Bill into consideration, Your Committee for this reason recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *Louis Carrier* and others, of the Town of *Levis* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Compagnie du chemin à lisses de Lévis à Kennebec* ; " and that of *C. J. Brydges* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Sherbrooke and Eastern Counties Railway Company*," and find that all the requisite Notices have not been given, but Your Committee are satisfied that all parties interested have been sufficiently informed of these requisitions and recommend, in these two cases, the suspension of the 51st Rule.

As to the following Petitions, your Committee find that they are not of the nature of those requiring any Notice, namely :

The Petition of *Honoré Guay* and others, of the Town of *Levis* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "*La Société Bienveillante de St. Jean Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis* ; " the Petition of *James P. Clark* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "*The Montreal Sailors Institute*."—and the Petition of *Léon David* and others, of the Township of *Hull* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of "*La Société St. Joseph de Notre-Dame de Hull*."

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to the 28th day of February instant, and for receiving Private Bills to the 8th March next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend an act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter thirty.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the 16th instant.

Ordered, That Mr. *Joly* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Protestant Institution for Deaf-Mutes and for the Blind.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* and Eastern Townships' Railway Company, and that Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for continuing the Legislature of *Quebec*, in case of the demise of the Crown, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday, the sixteenth February instant.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday, the sixteenth February instant.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to supply the place of the Speaker of the Legislative Council in certain cases; to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to supply the place of the Speaker of the Legislative Council in certain cases," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday, the sixteenth February instant.

And then the House adjourned, till Tuesday, the sixteenth February instant.

Tuesday, 16th February, 1869.

The House met; and it appearing that a Quorum was not present, yet it being after three of the clock, Mr. Speaker took the Chair; and the names of the Members present were taken down as follow.

Mr. Speaker, Messieurs *Bellingham*, *Chauveau*, *Garon*, *Hearn*, *Hemming*, *Joly*, Attorney-General *Ouimet*, *Pozzer*, *Rhétame*, *Scriver*, *Simard*, and *Tremblay*.

And, at fifteen minutes past three of the clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, without a Question first put, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 17th February, 1869.

Henri Gustave Joly, Esquire, *Edward J. Hemming*, Esquire, *J. Hyacinthe Bellerose*, Esquire, and *Pierre Bachand*, Esquire, being four of the six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, severally took the following oath :

I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a member of the General Committee of Elections to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favor. So help me God.

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that, pursuant to the 39th Section of the Act of the late Province of *Canada* respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, he had appointed Wednesday next, the 24th instant, at Eleven of the clock in the forenoon, for the first meeting of the General Committee of Elections, and the Office of Controverted Elections the place of such meeting.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*.

Ordered, That the Alphabetical List of Members to serve on Election Committees, be referred to the General Committee of Elections.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Pozer*.—The Petition of *Isaac Dostie* and others, of the Township of *Adstock*.—the Petition of *Pierre Boulé* and others, of the Township of *Shenley*.—the Petition of *Laurent Chouanard* and others, of the Township of *Shenley*.—the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Forsyth*.—and the Petition of *Pierre Dupont* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton* and *Aylmer*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*.—The Petition of the Reverend *D. Racine* and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Hébertville*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Charles Dorion* and others, of the Town of *Sorel* ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*l'Association St. Pierre de Sorel*."

Of *E. Beaudet* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*Le Cercle de Québec*."

Of *Charles Alexander* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*The Montreal Infant School Association*."

Of *A. Bernard* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*The Dental Board of Examiners for the Province of Quebec*."

Of the *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company*.—and of the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, of *Montreal* ; severally praying for amendments to their Acts of Incorporation.

Of the Reverend *L. B. Hallé* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton*, *Price*, *Aylmer* and *Gayhurst* ; praying for a grant of money to establish a Circuit Court in the Parish of *St. Vital de Lambton*, County of *Beauce*.

Of *Ambroise Lemonde* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean-Baptiste*.—and of *Félix Rainville* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Angèle*, all in the County of *Rouville* ; severally praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of *E. Octavian Cuthbert* and others, of the Parishes of *Berthier*, *Isle du Pads*, and other places in the County of *Berthier* ; praying for amendments to the Act 31 Vict. Cap. 26, of the Statutes of the Province of *Quebec*, intituled : "*An Act to amend the Game Laws of this Province*."

Of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec* ; praying for amendments to the Act 16 Vict. Cap. 263, intituled : "*An Act to incorporate La Société Ecclésiastique de St. Michel*."

Of the Reverend *J. Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *Rivière du Loup*.—of *G. Caron* and others, of the Parish of *St. Léon*, all in the County of *Maskinongé* ;

severally praying that the North Shore Railway Company be separated from the Piles Railway Company.

Of *Ambroise Lemonde* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean-Baptiste*, County of *Rouville*; praying that the Act respecting vehicles for winter roads be not altered.

Of *Antoine Belavance* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Témiscouata*; praying for a free grant of certain lots of land.

Of *Les Sœurs Marianites de Ste. Croix*, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques Cartier*; praying for aid.

Of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau*, Director of the Deaf and Dumb Institution of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid for the last six months of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty seven.

Of the Medical Faculty of McGill University,—and of the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, of *Montreal*; severally praying that their annual grants be continued.

Of *Thomas P. Pelletier* and others, of the Parish of *Trois-Pistoles*, County of *Témiscouata*; praying aid for a Road.

Of *J. M. Currier* and others, of the Township of *Onslow*, County of *Pontiac*; praying that the conclusions of the Petition of *James Davis* and others, to cause changes to be made in some ranges of the said Township, be not granted.

Of the Very Reverend *John Bethune* and others,—of the Reverend *Charles Bancroft* and others,—of the Reverend *George Slack* and others,—of *James Muir* and others, the Clergy and Laity of the United Church of England and Ireland, in the Diocese of *Montreal*; severally praying for the passing of an Act giving the Dean of the United Church of England and Ireland at *Montreal*, all the powers of a Bishop, until such time as a Bishop be appointed to the See of *Montreal*.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 28th January, 1869, for either a Statement of all arrangements, or a copy of all resolutions, adopted by the Turnpike Road Commissioners of the Island of *Montreal*, in relation to any arrangements which may have been entered into, in 1867 or 1868, between the said Commissioners and the Turnpike Road Company of *St. Michel*, respecting the question of placing only one turnpike upon the road of the said Company and the *Victoria* and *Papineau* Road, under the control of the said Commissioners. (Sessional Papers No. 11.)

Also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 29th January, 1869, for copies of all the Reports of the Prison Inspectors, relating to the Prison of the Judicial District of *Kamouraska* made since the Report of 1863; and the presentments of the grand juries since that time, upon the state of the Court House and Prison of the said Judicial District. (Sessional papers No. 16.)

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended, in relation to a Bill to incorporate the *Lévis* and *Kennebec* Railway Company, and, that Mr. *Simard* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simard* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain movable and immovable property, belonging to *Marie Eléonore Isabella Macdonald*, his ward, as usufructuary.

He, accordingly, presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal Chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting enquiries concerning public matters.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ross* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to compel the proprietors of toll-bridges to keep the same in good condition for the protection of Passengers, and for other objects therein mentioned being read,

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to render valid all Notarial Acts which were not countersigned at the time of the promulgation of the Civil Code, on account of the death of the second Notary who ought to have countersigned such Acts, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Picard*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Bellingham*, Mr. *Rheame*, Mr. *Hemming* and Mr. *Verreault*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Thursday, 18th February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of *Frederick Penn*, of the City of *Montreal*,—the Petition of the *St. Bridget's House of Refuge, Montreal*,—and the Petition of the *St. Patrick's House of Refuge, of the City of Montreal*.

By Mr. *Coutlée*,—The Petition of the Reverend *C. Dufour* and others, of the Parish of *Coteau du Lac*.

By Mr. *Brigham*,—The Petition of *Augustin Thérien* and others, of the Parish of *St. Damien de Stanbridge*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Pozar*,—The Petition of the Reverend *H. Desruisseaux* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton, Price, Aylmer, Gayhurst, Forsyth* and *Shenly*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Sénecal*,—The Petition of *L. Tourville* and others, of the City of *Montreal*,—the Petition of the Reverend *J. A. Maurault* and others of the Parish of *St. Thomas de Pierreville*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Paradis* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chicoutimi*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of *William Gore Lyster* and others, of the Township of *Cape Cove*,—the Petition of *Charles Davis* and others, of the Townships of *Gaspé-Bay South* and *York*,—the Petition of *Charles Veit* and others, of the Township of *Douglas*,—and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Percé*, all in the County of *Gaspé*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Townships of *Melbourne*

and Brompton Gore,—and the Petition of *U. Bonneville* and others, of the Township of *Wolfstown*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *Allan McKenzie* and others, of the Township of *Winslow*,—and the Petition of *F. Paquette* and others, of the Township of *Hereford*, both of the County of *Compton*.

By Mr. *Robertson*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Orford*,—and the Petition of *Willis Whittie* and others, of the said Township.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *Charles Bowier* and other Canadians, of *Keene*, State of *New Hampshire*,—the Petition of *Jules Gourd* and other Canadians, of *New Bedford*,—and the Petition of *L. F. Leclerc* and other Canadians, of *North Brookfield*; all of the State of *Massachusetts*,—and the Petition of *Julien Deland* and other Canadians, of *L'Assomption*, State of *Illinois*.

By Mr. *Laberge*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Philomène*, County of *Chateaugay*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaudreau* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex the range of *St. Julie*, in the Parish of *St. Marcel*, to the County of *Richelieu*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral, and registration purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bellerose* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Société Bienveillante de St. Jean Baptiste, de St. Joseph de Lévis*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Benoit*, seconded by Mr. *Sénécal*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a Statement showing:

1. The number of books composing the Library of the Department of Public Instruction.
2. The rent paid for the premises occupied by the said Library, and the salaries of the employees in charge of the same.

On motion of Mr. *Bellingham*, seconded by Mr. *Joly*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a statement setting forth the total number of acres of land disposed of by sale or free grants, during the year ending 30th June, 1868, classified according to Table No. 3, Appendix No. 12, to wit:

Gaspé; Eastern Townships; *Ottawa*; *St. Maurice*; *Saguenay*.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Tremblay*,

Resolved, That an humble address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—A copy of the instructions given to the Civil Service Commission.

On motion of Mr. *Bellingham*, seconded by Mr. *Joly*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—the annual returns from the undermentioned literary institutions, hospitals, and charities receiving grants voted by the Legislature, to wit:

School of Medicine,
Literary and Historical Society,
Indigent sick,

Montreal,
Quebec.
Montreal.

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| St. Patrick's Hospital, | Montreal, |
| House of Refuge, | do |
| Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, | do |
| Les Sœurs de la Charité, | do |
| The Protestant Orphan Asylum, | do |
| Dispensary, | do |
| Home and School of Industry, | do |
| Eye and Ear Institution, | do |
| Indigent Sick, | Quebec. |
| Catholic General Hospital, | St. Hyacinthe. |
| Marine and Emigrant Hospital, | Quebec. |
| Beauport Asylum, | do |
| St. John's Lunatic Asylum, | St. John's. |

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to compel proprietors of toll-bridges to keep the same in good condition, for the protection of passengers, and for other objects therein mentioned; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again on Wednesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral, and registration purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Lavallée*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, Mr. *Moll*, Mr. *Dugas*, Mr. *Mathieu*, and Mr. *Desaulniers*, (*Maskinongé*); to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Picard*, the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Bellingham*, Mr. *Brigham*, Mr. *Bessette*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Poupore*, Mr. *Scriver*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Locke* and Mr. *Hemming*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 19th February, 1869.

Mr. Speaker informed the House that the Clerk of this House had received from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following certificate, viz:

CANADA,
Province of Quebec. }

These presents certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, bearing date the TWENTY-FIRST day of JANUARY last, issued by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of Quebec, and addressed to *Vincelas Taché*, Esquire, Sheriff of the District of *Kamouraska*, appointed Returning Officer for the Electoral District of *Kamouraska*, by special commission under the hand and seal of the Lieutenant-Governor, bearing date the TWENTY-FIRST day of JANUARY last, for the election of a member to represent the said Electoral Division of *Kamouraska*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in this present Parliament, *Charles F. Roy*, Esquire, Land Surveyor, has

been returned as having been duly elected, as appears by the return of the said Writ of Election, dated the SEVENTEENTH day of FEBRUARY instant, which is now deposited in the Archives of my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 19th February, 1869.

L. H. HUOT,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

G. M. MUIR, Esquire,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
Quebec,

Charles F. Roy, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of *Kamouraska*, having previously taken the Oath according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took his seat in the House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:—

By the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *Weston Hunt* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Hemming*,—The Petition of *Valentine Cook* and others, of the Parish of *Drummondville*, County of *Drummond*.

By Mr. *Pozzer*,—Two Petitions of the Municipality of the Township of *Tring*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *J. B. Bishop* and others, of the Townships of *Dudswell* and *Weedon*,—the Petition of the Reverend *Adolphe Barolet* and others, of the Township of *Garthley*,—and the Petition of *Donald MacIver* and others, of the Township of *Weedon*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Bury*,—and the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Tingwick*, both in the County of *Compton*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*,—and the Petition of the Society of the *Montreal General Hospital*.

By Mr. *Sénécal*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. N. Héroux* and others, of the Parish of *Victoriaville*, County of *Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Brigham*,—The Petition of *Edward Flanigan* and others, of the Township of *Sutton*, County of *Brome*.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of *Etienne Hallé* and *Louis Picard*, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *LaRue*,—The Petition of *l'Institut Canadien* of *Quebec*,

By Mr. *Lavallée*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. H. St. Jacques* and others, of the Parish of *St. Côme*, in the Townships of *Cathcart* and *Cartier*.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of *Absolon Boissel* and others, of the Township of *Buckland*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Hearn*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*,—and the Petition of the *St. Bridget's Asylum Association* of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Isaac Dostie* and others, of the Township of *Adstock*; praying that a part of the said Township be annexed to the Municipality of *St. Ephrem de Tring*.

Of *Pierre Boulé* and others,—and of *Laurent Chouinard* and others, all of the Township of *Shenley*; severally praying that a part of the said Township be annexed to the Municipality of *St. Ephrem de Tring*.

Of *Pierre Dupont* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton* and *Aylmer*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Forsyth*,—and of the Reverend *D. Racine* and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Hébertville*; severally praying aid for Roads.

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions and consider they are of a nature not requiring any notice:

Of *Elisée Beaudet* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*Le Cercle de Québec*";—of *Charles Alexander* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*The Montreal Infant School Association*"; of the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation,—and of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Act 16 Vict. Cap 263 of the Statutes of the Province of *Quebec*, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of St. Michel."

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Very Reverend *John Bethune*, Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and of the Incumbent and Churchwardens of St. George's Church, of *Montreal*; praying to be authorized to sell or mortgage a property belonging to the said Church,—of *Charles Dorion* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "*L'Association St. Pierre de Sorel*,"—of the St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation, and find that the requisite notices have been given.

Your Committee beg leave to represent to Your Honorable House that their Sixth Report stated that "as to the Petition of *Thomas Wood* and others, of the Township of *Dunham*; praying for an Act of Incorporation for the construction of a Railroad, Your Committee find that no notices in French have been published in any local paper." Your Committee beg to state to Your Honorable House that satisfactory proof has since been given that such notices have been published, and Your Committee, in consequence, beg leave to correct their former Report by now stating that the requisite notices as to such Petition have been duly made.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, to which sundry amendments have been made which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House:

Bill to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*.

Bill to enable the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Montreal* to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bellerose* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled: "An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hemming* have leave to bring in a Bill to revive the Charter of the *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Counties' Railway, and to amend the same.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to reduce the Capital Stock of the *St. Francis* Mining and Smelting Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bellingham* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the Game Laws of this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brigham* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Article 2280 of the Civil Code, respecting Fees due Physicians.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Maganacippi River Improvement Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Resolved, That during the remainder of the Session, Government measures take precedence of all other measures, on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day being read for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the motion proposed on Tuesday, 2nd February, instant, "That a supply be granted to Her Majesty; the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech read.

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to a resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for continuing the Legislature of *Quebec* in case of the demise of the Crown, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of

Quebec and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary papers, being read ;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the question being proposed, that the Bill be now read a second time ;

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

And the Question being put:—it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter 30, being read.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to supply the place of the Speaker of the Legislative Council, in certain cases," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be read the third time, on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 22nd February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table :

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *James Hodges* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Craig*,—The Petition of *Narcisse Cartier* and others, of the Township of *Emberton*, County of *Verchères*.

By Mr. *Senécal*,—The Petition of *Joseph Lemaitre* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Thomas de Pierreville*, *St. François du Lac*, *St. Pie de Déguire*, *St. Bonaventure d'Upton*, and *St. Zéphirin de Courval*,—the Petition of the *Richelieu Company*, and of the *Pierreville Steam Mills Company*,—the Petition of the Reverend *N. Kérouack* and others, of the Parish of *St. Guillaume d'Upton*,—and the Petition of *G. L. Barthe* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*.

By Mr. *Jodoin*,—The Petition of *C. B. de Grosbois* and others, of the Parish of *Chambly*, County of *Chambly*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. T. Fréchette* and others, of the Parishes of *St. François Xavier de Batiscan*, *Ste. Geneviève de Batiscan* and *Ste. Anne de la Pêrade*.

By Mr. *Dugas*,—The Petition of *Edward Mason* and others, of the Townships of *Rawdon* and *Chertsey*,—and the Petition of *William Henry Parker* of *Hunterstown*, in the District of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of Messieurs *Hamilton Brothers*, and others, of the District of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of the Ladies' Protestant Home of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Bachand*,—The Petition of *A. B. Parmalee* and others, of the District of *Bedford*, *Advocates*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *Horace Gilbert* and others, of the Township of *Weedon*, County of *Richmond* and *Wolfe*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *A. W. Pope* and others, of the Townships of *Eaton*, *Westbury*, *Clifton* and *Newport*, County of *Compton*,—the Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Vanasse* and others, of the Townships of *Winslow North* and *Winslow South*, County of *Compton*,—the Petition of *John Graham* and others, of the Townships of *Hampden*, *Whitten* and *Martin*,—and the Petition of *William Sawyer* and others of the Township of *Newport*, County of *Compton*.

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. G. Dumontier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Aimé*.

By Mr. *Brigham*,—The Petition of the Honorable *Thomas Wood*, Chairman, on behalf of a Public Meeting of the Mayors and Secretary-Treasurers of the District of *Bedford*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *St. Germain de Rimoushi*.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec South*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—Two Petitions of the Reverend *J. Laberge* and others, of the Parish of *l'Ancienne Lorette*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of *L. Dumouchel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, County of *Terrebonne*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *J. Brisette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Colomban* in the County of *Two Mountains*, and in the *Gore*, County of *Argenteuil*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Weston Hunt* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that a commission of three members be substituted for the elective Corporation of the said City.

Of *Frederick Penn*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to sell the property known as the "St. Lawrence Hall."

Of the Society of the *Montreal General Hospital*; praying for the passing of an Act to confirm a certain deed of sale.

Of the *St. Bridget's House of Refuge, Montreal*; and of the *St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum*, of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *C. Dufour* and others, of the Parish of *Côteau du Lac*; praying aid for an Asylum in the said Parish.

Of the *Institut Canadien* of *Quebec*; praying for an annual grant.

Of the *St. Bridget's Asylum Association* of *Quebec*; praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of *Augustin Thérien* and others, of the Parish of *St. Damien de Stanbridge*; and of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Philomène*, County of *Châteauguay*; severally praying that the Bill respecting vehicles for winter roads be adopted.

Of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "Colonization Railway Company North of *Montreal*."

Of *L. Tourville* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "Company for improving the *Yamaska* and *St. Francis Rivers*."

Of *Edward Flanigan* and others, of the Township of *Sutton*, County of *Brome*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the South-Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company,—of the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*,—and of the Mayor, Aldermen, and citizens of the City of *Quebec*; severally praying for amendments to their Acts of Incorporation,

Of the Reverend *J. A. Maurault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Thomas de Pierreville*,—of the Reverend *Joseph Paradis* and others, of the Parish of *St. François du Lac*,—and of *Valentine Cook* and others, of the Parish of *Drummondville*, County of *Drummond*; severally praying that the *St. Francis* and *Yamaska Rivers* be improved by the Government, and in default of their so doing, that certain powers may be granted to a Company which would undertake to make such improvements.

Of the Reverend *H. Desruisseaux* and others, of the Townships of *Lambton*, *Price*, *Aylmer*, *Gayhurst*, *Forsyth*, and *Shenley*, County of *Beauce*; praying that the Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* and *Eastern Townships Railway Company*, be not granted.

Of *J. B. Bishop* and others, of the Townships of *Dudswell* and *Weedon*, County of *Wolfe*; praying that the Act to Incorporate the *Sherbrooke* and *Eastern Townships Railway Company*, be granted, and for other purposes.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Bury*,—and of the Municipality of the Township of *Linguick*, both in the County of *Compton*; severally praying that the *Sherbrooke* and *Eastern Townships Railway Company* be not Incorporated, but that in lieu thereof an Act of Incorporation be granted to the *St. Francis Valley Railway Company*.

Of *William Gore Lyster* and others, of the Township of *Cape Cove*; praying that the 28th section of Chapter 109, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, be repealed.

Of *Charles Davis* and others, of the Townships of *Gaspé Bay South* and *York*,—and of *Charles Veit* and others, of the Township of *Douglas*, all in the County of *Gaspé*; severally praying that the new Court House and Gaol for the County be erected at *Gaspé Basin*, in the said County.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Percé*; praying that the Township of *Cap des Rosiers* be not separated into two distinct municipalities.

Of *U. Bonneville* and others, of the Township of *Wolfestown*; praying to be annexed to the judicial district of *Arthabaska* for judicial and civil purposes.

Of *Absalon Boissel* and others, of the Township of *Buckland*, County of *Bellechasse*; praying that the act intituled: "An Act to encourage Colonization" be repealed or amended.

Of the Reverend *J. N. Héroux* and others, of the Parish of *Victoriaville*, County of *Arthabaska*; praying for the separation of the *North Shore Railway* and *Piles Railway Companies*.

Of *Etienne Hallé* and *Louis Picard*, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the expenses they incurred to open a winter road to *Lake Jacques Cartier*, be reimbursed them.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Chicoutimi*,—of the Municipality of the Townships of *Melbourne* and *Brompton Gore*,—of *Allan McKenzie* and others, of the Township of *Winslow*, County of *Compton*,—of *F. Paquette* and others, of the Township of *Hereford*, County of *Compton*,—of the Municipality of the Township of *Orford*,—of *Willis Whittie* and others, of the Township of *Orford*,—of *Donald McIver* and others, of the Township of *Weedon*,—two Petitions from the Municipality of the Township of *Tring*, County of *Beauce*,—of the Reverend *Adolphe Barolet* and others, of the Township of *Garthby*,—and of the Reverend *J. H. St. Jacques* and others of the Parish of *St. Côme*, in the Townships of *Cathcart* and *Cartier*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Charles Bouvier* and other Canadians, of *Keene*, State of *New Hampshire*,—of *Jules Gourd* and other Canadians, of *New Bedford*,—of *L. F. Leclerc* and other Canadians, of *North Crookfield*, all in the State of *Massachusetts*,—of *Julien Déland* and other Canadians, of *L'Assomption*, in the State of *Illinois*; severally praying that the Parliament of *Quebec* will afford them the opportunity of returning to the country, by granting them the advantages it appears disposed to offer *European Immigrants*.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 18th February, 1869; for a copy of the instructions given to the Civil Service Commission. (Sessional Papers No. 17.)

Also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 18th February, 1869, for a Statement showing:

1. The number of books composing the Library of the Department of Public Instruction.
2. The rent paid for the premises occupied by the said Library, and the salaries of the Employees in charge of the same. (Sessional Papers, No. 18.)

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the

18th February, 1869, for a copy of the Instructions given to the Civil Service Commission, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate '*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*,'" and have made amendments thereto, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee beg to report to this Honorable House the Bill intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*, and to recommend that the same be adopted as amended.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Langevin have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Society called "*Le Cercle de Québec*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Brigham have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Misissquoi Junction Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That Mr. Picard have leave to bring in a Bill to explain the 11th Section of the Act 27th Victoria, Chapter 9, respecting the sale of real estate by municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Report of the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, which was laid before this House, on the 20th January last, be referred to the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of the Legislature, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

On motion of Mr. Pozer, seconded by Mr. Tremblay,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement in reference to the District of *Beauce*, showing the amounts received under Cap. 16, 31 Vict., for the payment of petit jurors; and also, the amount paid to the said jurors, distinguishing the amounts paid to the jurors of each municipality, and the amounts received from each municipality.

On motion of Mr. Mailloux, seconded by Mr. Gendron,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to be pleased to adopt such measures as he may deem advisable, to cause to be prepared and printed in the form of the Statutes of this Province, a table of the subdivisions of Parishes within the same, from the year 1854 to the present year inclusive,—such table to show the boundaries, limits, or division lines of the several Parishes established and erected civilly, either as new Parishes, or as Parishes formed by the subdivision of Parishes erected and recognized by Law, prior to that date; such table further to set forth in a succinct manner, the authority by which each parochial subdivision was made, the name of the Governor

under whose administration it took place, the names of the Commissioners who recommended the same, the date of their Report, or of the Proclamation which established and confirmed it, including therein all information which it may be in the power of the Government to procure respecting Parishes, or reputed Parishes which have not yet been civilly established; and also, the subdivision of each County into Townships, whenever such subdivision exists.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then, the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 23rd February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Locke*,—The Petition of *W. W. Oliver* and others, of the County of *Stanstead*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of *Napoléon Dion* and others, of the North Shore of the *St. Lawrence*; and the Petition of *Patrick Knight* and others.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *Madame Saveuse de Beaujeu* and others, of the Township of *Newton*.

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—The Petition of *Paul Pélouquin* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*.

By Mr. *LaRue*,—The Petition of *F. X. Frenette* and others, of the Parish of *Cap Sante*; the Petition of *John McCormick* and others, of the Parish of *St. Alban*; the Petition of the Reverend *N. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Casimir*; the Petition of *Léandre Delisle* and others, of the Parish of *Pointe-aux-Trembles*; the Petition of the Reverend *N. Bellanger* and others, of the Parish of *Deschambault*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. O'Grady* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Catherine*; the Petition of the Reverend *A. Milette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*; the Petition of *Léon Delisle* and others, of the Parish of *Portneuf*; the Petition of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Les Ecureuils*; the Petition of *Augustin Côté* and others, of the Parish of *Des Grondines*; and the Petition of *J. P. Déry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Raymond*, all of the County of *Portneuf*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of *Edward Trempe* and others, of the Townships of *Masham* and *Eardley*.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of *James E. Judgson* and others, of the Township of *Litchfield*.

A. C. de Lotbinière-Harwood, Esquire, being one of the six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, took the following oath :

"I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favor. So help me God."

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the requisite notices have been given in each case :

Of *S. E. Gervais* and others, of the Province of *Quebec*; praying that the North Shore Railway Company, be separated from the Piles Railway Company; of *L. Tourville* and others, of the Province of *Quebec*; praying for the incorporation of the *Yamaska* and *St. Francis* Rivers Improvement Company; of the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company; praying for amendments to their Act of

Incorporation ; and of the Very Reverend A. F. Truteau and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for the incorporation of the *Montreal Northern Colonization Road*.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills ; presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and made amendments therein, which are submitted for the consideration of your Honorable House :

Bill to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul* of *Montreal*, and Bill to incorporate the *Société Bienveillante de St. Jean-Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis*.

Mr. Lavallée reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral and registration purposes, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies General Clauses Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Incorporation Act.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Dumoulin have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Three Rivers*, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Benoit have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the representation of the people in the Legislative Assembly, and to change the limits of the Counties of *Chateauguay* and *Napierville*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Beaubien have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

A Bill for continuing the Legislature of *Quebec* in case of the demise of the Crown, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be : " An Act to continue the Legislature of *Quebec* in case of the demise of the Crown.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : " An Act to supply the place of

the Speaker of the Legislative Council, in certain cases, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province, being read ;

And the question being proposed, That the Report be now received ;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, That all the words after " That " to the end of the Question be left out and the words " the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, " with an instruction to add to the said Bill, the following clause :

" All provisions in any law, whatever, now in force, which may be deemed contrary to, or inconsistent with the provisions of the present Act, or which may create or maintain any other disabilities or disqualifications than those provided for by this Act, are hereby repealed."

And to add to the third clause after the word " nor " on the fourth paragraph, the words " until the next General Election," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the main Question so amended being put ;

Ordered, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

And the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received :

Mr. *Bellingham* moved, in amendment, seconded Mr. *Joly*, That all the words after " That " to the end of the Question be left out, and the words " the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by adding the following words at the end thereof :

" That after the expiration of the term of the present Assembly, no person shall be eligible as a representative thereto, who receives an annual salary from the Imperial, the Dominion, or the Local Governments, save the Members of the Ministry of the latter", inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon ;

Mr. *Joly* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, That the words " and that no Senator or Member of the House of Commons of Canada, shall be appointed to the Legislative Council or eligible to the Legislative Assembly," be added at the end thereof.

And a further Debate arising thereupon ;

And it being six of the Clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Quebec and Gosford Railway Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House for To-morrow.

And the Debate on the amendment to the proposed amendment to the Question, "That the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to secure the independence of the Legislature of this Province be now received; and which amendment was, that all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the Bill be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by adding the following words at the end thereof: "That after the expiration of the term of the present Assembly, no person shall be eligible as a representative thereto, who receives an annual salary from the Imperial, the Dominion, or the Local Governments, save the Members of the Ministry of the latter," inserted instead thereof; and which amendment to the said proposed amendment was, that the words "and that no Senator or Member of the House of Commons of Canada, shall be appointed to the Legislative Council or eligible to the Legislative Assembly," be added at the end thereof, having been resumed.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:

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Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Pozar,</i> | <i>Scriven,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> | <i>Sténéal, and</i> |
| <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—13.</i> |
| <i>Lalonde,</i> | | | |

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> |
| <i>Beaudreau,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> |
| <i>Bellrose,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Attorney-Ge-</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (Muski-</i> | <i>Hearn,</i> | <i>neral),</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>pongé),</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St.</i> | <i>Irvine (Solicitor-</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Causon,</i> | <i>Maurice),</i> | <i>General),</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dumoulin,</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Thérien, and</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Verreault.—43.</i> |

So it passed in the negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the original Question, the House divided; and it passed in the negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received,

Mr. Tremblay moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Joly, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, to be therein amended by leaving out the words 'Annual' in the third Section," inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock, on Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, 24th February, 1869.

And the Debate continuing;

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided; and it passed in the negative.

Then, the main Question being put,
Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Thursday next.

And then the House, having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after twelve of the clock on Wednesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Wednesday, 24th February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Louis A. Routhier* and others of the Parish of *Ste. Foye*, County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *David Pelletier* and others, of *Sault-au-Récollet*,—and the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Sault-au-Récollet*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of *A. A. Wilson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*,—The Petition of the Reverend *G. S. E. Duhault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Stanislas*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. Lottinville* and others, of the Parish of *St. Narcisse*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. O. Prince* and others, of the Parish of *St. Maurice*; the Petition of *Joseph Lor* and others, of the Parish of *Notre Dame du Mont Carmel*; the Petition of the Reverend *M. Proulx* and others, of the Parish of *St. Tite*; and the Petition of *N. Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *La Visitation*, all of the County of *Champlain*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *James Hodges* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Reverend *J. Laberge* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ancienne Lorette*; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of markets.

Of *Joseph Lemaitre* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Thomas de Pierreville*, *St. François du Lac*, *St. Pie de Deguise*, *St. Bonaventure d'Upton* and *St. Zéphirin de Courval*; praying for the passing of an act to regulate the floating of, and the trade in cord wood on the River *St. Francis*.

Of the *Richelieu Company*, and of the *Pierreville Steam Mills Company*,—of the Reverend *Nap. Kérrouack* and others, of the Parish of *St. Guillaume d'Upton*,—of *G. J. Barthe* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*,—and of the Reverend *J. G. Duvaunier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Aimé*; severally praying that the *St. Francis* and *Yamaska* Rivers be improved by the Government, and in default of their so doing, that certain powers may be granted to a Company which would undertake to make such improvements.

Of *C. B. de Grosbois* and others, of the Parish of *Chambly*, County of *Chambly*; praying that the bill respecting vehicles over winter roads be passed.

Of *William Henry Parker*, of *Hunterstown*, in the District of *Three Rivers*; praying for the passing of an act granting him certain privileges on the River *l'Assomption*.

Of Messieurs *Hamilton Brothers* and others, of the District of *Ottawa*; praying for the transfer of the Court, Prison and Registry Office for the County of *Ottawa*, from *Aylmer* to *Hull*, or to some other suitable place near the City of *Ottawa*.

Of the Honorable *Thomas Wood*, chairman on behalf of a public meeting of the Mayors and Secretary-Treasurers of the District of *Bedford*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of *A. B. Parmelee* and others, of the District of *Bedford*, Advocates; praying for amendments to the Act respecting the Bar.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South; praying for amendments to the act respecting the powers of the municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South, and for other purposes.

Of the Reverend *J. Laberge* and others, of the Parish of *l'Ancienne Lorette*; praying that the North Shore Turnpike Trust be released from the debt of the South Shore Turnpike Trust.

Of *Horace Gilbert* and others, of the Township of *Weedon*, in the County of *Richmond* and *Wolfe*; of *A. W. Pope* and others, of the Townships of *Eaton*, *Westbury*, *Clifton*, and *Newport*; of the Reverend *F. X. Vanasse* and others, of the Townships of *Winslow* North and South, County of *Compton*; severally praying that the *Sherbrooke* and Eastern Townships Railway Company be not incorporated, but that in lieu thereof an Act of Incorporation be granted to the *St. Francis Valley* Railway Company.

Of the Right Reverend the Roman Catholic Bishop of *St. Germain de Rimouski*; praying aid for the construction of a College at *Rimouski*.

Of the Ladies' Protestant Home of *Quebec*; praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of *L. Dumouchel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*, County of *Terrebonne*; praying for an annual grant in favor of the *Youville* Hospital.

Of the Reverend *W. T. Fréchette* and others, of the Parishes of *St. François Xavier de Batiscan*, *Ste. Geneviève de Batiscan*, and *Ste. Anne de la Pérade*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of *Nacisse Cartier* and others, of the Township of *Emberton*, County of *Verchères*; of *Edward Mason* and others, of the Townships of *Rawdon* and *Chertsey*; of *John Graham* and others, of the Townships of *Hampden*, *Whitton* and *Martin*; of *William Sawyer* and others, of the Township of *Newport*, County of *Compton*; and of the Reverend *J. Brissette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Colomban*, in the County of *Two Mountains*, and in the Gore, County of *Argenteuil*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dumoulin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 95 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Lotteries.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Sénécal*, have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Company for the improvement of the rivers *St. Francis* and *Yamaska*, and for the deepening of the said Rivers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dugas* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Montcalm* and *Joliette*, for electoral and other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bessette*, seconded by Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinonge*),

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the Prothonotaries and Clerks of the Circuit Court for the District of *Montreal*, the said Return to state how many there are, the number of employees in their offices, their names, salaries, and the nature of their occupation, and further the amount of the contingent expenses of the said offices for the year 1867, together with a statement of the revenues thereof for the said year; and also, a Return of the Clerks of the Peace for the District of *Quebec*, stating their names, the number of employees in the office, their salaries, and the nature of their occupation, and

further the amount of the contingent expenses of the said office during the year 1867, together with a statement of the revenue thereof for the said year.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Honourable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Chapleau*, seconded by Mr. *Bellerose*,

Ordered, That the Fee imposed on the Bill to incorporate "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*" be remitted.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral, and registration purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozar* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend an act intitled: "An Act respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the "*Société Bienveillante de St. Jean Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 25th February, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Richardson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie*.

By Mr. *Dugas*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. E. Dupras* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Julienne*.

By Mr. *Laberge*,—The Petition of *James McGowan* and others, of the Parish of *St. Clément*, County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Roy*,—The Petition of *Joseph Sirois* and others, of the Parish of *St. Onésime d'Isisworth*, County of *Kamouraska*.

By Mr. *Clément*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. N. Gingras* and others, of the Parish of *Baie St. Paul*,—the Petition of the Reverend *J. A. Bureau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agnès*,—the Petition of the Reverend *Julien Rioux* and others, of the Parish of *Petite Rivière*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *N. J. Gauvin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Irénée*, all of the County of *Charlevoix*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Villeneuve* and others, of *Saguenay*

By Mr. LaRue,—The Petition of *F. X. Mottard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Basile*, County of *Portneuf*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *W. W. Oliver* and others, of the County of *Stanstead*; praying for a free grant of land, and an aid of \$100,000 for the construction of the *Waterloo, Magog, and Stanstead Railway*.

Of *Napoléon Dion* and others, of the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence*; praying that a Commissioner be appointed to act as Judge for the North Shore of the River *St. Lawrence*, from *Point des Monts* to *Blanc Sablons*.

Of *Madame Saveuse de Beaujeu* and others, of the Township of *Newton*; praying that the conclusions of the petition of *A. C. de Lotbinière-Harwood* and others, to rectify the line of the 3rd Range of *Newton*, be not granted.

Of *Paul Péloquin* and others, of the Town of *Sorel*; praying for amendments to the Act 31 Vic. cap. 26, of the Statutes of the Province of *Quebec*, intituled: "An Act to amend the game laws in this Province."

Of *James H. Judgson* and others, of the Township of *Litchfield*; praying that the part of the said Township known as "*Little Litchfield*," be erected into a separate municipality.

Of *Edward Trempe* and others, of the Townships of *Masham* and *Eardly*; praying aid for a Road.

Of *Patrick Enright* and others; praying aid for a Road and for four Bridges.

Of *F. X. Frenette* and others, of the Parish of *Cap Santé*,—of *John McCormack* and others, of the Parish of *St. Alban*,—of the Reverend *N. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Casimir*,—of *Léandre Delisle* and others, of the Parish of *Pointe-aux-Trembles*,—of the Reverend *N. Bellenger* and others, of the Parish of *Deschambault*,—of the Reverend *J. O'Grady* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Catherine*,—of the Reverend *A. Millette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*,—of *Léon Delisle* and others, of the Parish of *Portneuf*,—of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of the Parish of *Les Ecureuils*,—of *Augustin Côté* and others, of the Parish of *Des Grodines*,—and of *I. P. Déry* and others, of the Parish of *St. Raymond*, all in the County of *Portneuf*; severally praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of markets.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the requisite notices have been given in each case, namely :

Of the Board of Management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of the Society of the *Montreal General Hospital*; praying for the passing of an Act ratifying and confirming the sale of a certain property, made by the Society.

Of the Mayor Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

And of *Weston Hunt* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that a Commission of three Members be substituted for the elective Corporation of the said City.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *James Hodges* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be incorporated under the name of the *St. Louis Hydraulic Company*, on which Your Committee beg leave to remark, that a Bill bearing the same title and for the same objects as mentioned in this Petition was passed by Your Honorable House during last preceding Session, and afterwards referred for the sanction of His Excellency the Governor General, who has since withheld the same.

It has been represented to your Committee that owing to such adverse decision,

having been but lately communicated to the Petitioners, the requisite notices only commenced to be given on the 20th instant, but Your Committee, considering they give sufficient intimation of the objects of the Petition to all parties interested, beg leave to recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *William Henry Parker*, of *Hunterstown*, in the District of *Three Rivers*, praying for the passing of an Act granting him certain privileges on the river "*L'Assomption*," and find that no notices have been given; but Your Committee, having had sufficient information that all parties interested are aware of the object of the Petition, and further that there is no opposition thereto, beg leave to recommend to Your Honorable House the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended, in relation to a Bill to incorporate the *St. Louis Hydraulic Company*, in accordance with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, and that *Mr. Beaubien* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

The Honorable *Mr. Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 24th February, 1869; For a Return of the Prothonotaries and Clerks of the Circuit Court for the District of *Montreal*, the said Return to state how many there are, the number of Employees in their Offices, their names, salaries, and the nature of their occupation, and further the amount of the contingent expenses of the said offices, for the year 1867, together with a Statement of the revenues thereof, for the said year; and also, a Return of the Clerks of the Peace, for the District of *Quebec*, stating their names, the number of Employees in the Office, their salaries, and the nature of their occupation, and further, the amount of the Contingent Expenses of the said Office, during the year 1867, together with a Statement of the Revenue thereof, for the said year. (Sessional Papers, No. 19.)

Ordered, That *Mr. Craig* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Association St. Pierre de Sorel*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That *Mr. Rhéaume* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act passed in the 28th year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter twenty-eight, intituled: "An Act to extend the powers of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South," and to change the corporate name of the said Municipality into that of "The Corporation of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*," and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That *Mr. Gaudet* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Cadastres made under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and the new titles subsequent to the said Cadastres.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable *Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*; also, the Act 27th and 28th *Vict.*, Chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting registration, registry offices, and the books and registers kept in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend A. Milette and others, of the Parish of St. Augustin; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of Quebec, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of markets, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

A Bill for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province, was, according to order, read the third time,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dinkin, the following amendments were made to the Bill:

Clause 2, Line 11, after the word "disqualify" insert the words "by reason of the salary, fees, or emoluments, he shall receive in such capacity."

Clause 3, Line 12, after the word "Senator" insert the words "by reason of the salary, fees, or emoluments, he shall receive in such capacity."

Clause 3, Line 15, after the word "vote" insert the words "by reason of the salary, fees, or emoluments, he shall receive in such capacity."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Bellerose reported, from the Committee to which it was referred to consider of the motion, "That a supply be granted to Her Majesty," a Resolution, which was read, as followeth:—

That a supply be granted to Her Majesty.

The said Resolution being read a second time.

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, on to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of Quebec, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary papers; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Bellerose reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend an Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fortin reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Bar of Lower Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. Attorney General Ouimet, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine, Mr. Joly, Mr. Carter, Mr. Hemming, Mr. Chénpleau, Mr. Bachand, and Mr. Rhéaume, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal chapter 32 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be read a third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting enquiries concerning public matters, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to empower the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Montréal*, to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul* of *Montreal*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Pozzer*, seconded by Mr. *Tremblay*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, the Petition of *Narcisse Rodrigue* and others, of the Seigniorship of *Rigaud Vaudreuil*, in reference to the working of the de Léry Patent, together with the copy of said Patent, all Orders in Council in reference to said Patent and to said Petition, and all correspondence concerning the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Mr. *Pozzer* moved, seconded by Mr. *Tremblay*, and the Question being proposed,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all returns made by *R. Pope*, Esquire, Gold Mining Inspector, *Beauce*, of convictions by him made, together with all statements by him forwarded to the Government as to the disposal of the fines by him collected ; and a Debate arising thereupon, and the Question being put ; the House divided ; and it passed in the Negative.

A Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral, and registration purposes, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and the title be ; " An Act to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*.

Edward Carter, Esquire, being one of the six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker, to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, took the following oath :

" I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties belonging to a Member of the General Committee of Elections to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favor. So help me God. "

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benoit* reported, that the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Garon* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the "*Société Bienveillante de St. Jean-Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Moll* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to detach, for judicial purposes, the County of *Bellechasse* from the District of *Montmagny*, and to annex the same to the District of *Quebec*, being read;

Mr. *Pelletier* moved, seconded by Mr. *LaRue*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time:

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* moved, in amendement to the Question, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question being put on the amendement; the House divided; and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then, the main Question, so amended being, put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time this day six months.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Friday, 26th February, 1869.

The following Petition, were severally brought up, and laid on the Table;

By Mr. *Beaudreau*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Sorel*.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Reverend *G. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *L'Anse St. Jean*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *J. Harris* and others, of the Township of *Ascot*; the Petition of *J. B. McDonald* and others, of the united Townships of *Whitton, Hampden, and Marston*; and the Petition of *John McIver* and others, of the united Townships of *Whitton, Hampden, and Marston*, all of the County of *Compton*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *J. B. Bell* and others, of the Township of *Stoke*.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of *Charles Ryan* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Robertson,—The Petition of *R. W. Heneker* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By the Honorable Mr. Chapais,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Chretien* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Flore*; and the Petition of the Reverend *M. D. Marcoux* and others, of the Parish of *Champlain*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. J. Guyon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*; the Petition of the Reverend *J. Dequoy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hermas*; and the Petition of the Reverend *J. S. Th  berge* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*, all of the County of *Terrebonne*.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of the House of Refuge and School of Industry of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Thomas Simpson* and others, the Clergy and Laity of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Montreal*; the Petition of Messieurs *Gillespie, Moffatt* and Company and others, the Agents and Attornies of the several Fire Insurance Companies, in the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of *Nelson Davis* and others, of the City of *Montreal*,—the Petition of *Hugh Allan* and others, of the City of *Montreal*,—and Three Petitions of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Church,—The Petition of *John McLaren* and others, of the Township of *Wakefield*; and the Petition of *Thomas McVeigh* and others, of the Township of *Litchfield*.

By Mr. Cl  ment,—The Petition of the Reverend *Clovis Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *Les Eboulements*; and the Petition of the Reverend *N. Doucet* and others, of the Parishes of *l'Anse St. Jean*, and *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*, in the Counties of *Chicoutimi* and *Charlevoix*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Louis A. Routier* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Foye*, County of *Qu  bec*; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers, respecting the taxation of markets.

Of *David Pelletier* and others, of *Sault-au-R  collet*,—and of the Municipality of the Parish of *Sault-au-R  collet*; severally praying for a free grant of land for the construction of the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway*, and for other purposes.

Of *A. A. Wilson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the repeal or amendment of the Act 31 Vict., Chap. 27, of the Statutes of the Province of *Quebec*, respecting the storage of gunpowder in and near the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *G. S. E. Duhaill* and others, of the Parish of *St. Stanislas*,—of the Reverend *J. Lottinville* and others, of the Parish of *St. Narcisse*,—of the Reverend *J. O. Prince* and others, of the Parish of *St. Maurice*,—of *Joseph Lor* and others, of the Parish of *Notre-Dame du Mont Carmel*,—of the Reverend *M. Proulx* and others, of the Parish of *St. Tite*,—and of *N. Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *La Visitation*, all in the County of *Champlain*; severally praying that the *North Shore Railway Company* be separated from the *Piles Railway Company*.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Bills and made amendments to the same which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Bill to incorporate the Protestant Institution for Deaf-Mutes, and for the Blind
Bill to incorporate the Society called "*Le Cercle de Qu  bec*."

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the

24th instant,—For a Return of the Prothonotaries and Clerks of the Circuit Court for the District of *Montreal*, and of the Clerks of the Peace for the District of *Quebec*, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in a Bill to regulate the measurement of Saw Logs.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Petitions for Private Bills be extended to Monday, the 8th March next; for receiving Private Bills, to Monday, the 15th March next; and Reports on Private Bills, to Monday, the 22nd March next.

A Bill to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary Papers, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend an Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter thirty, respecting the municipality of the Township of *Percé*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to repeal chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to repeal chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, relating to the destruction of Wolves."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the law respecting Jurors and Juries; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Chapleau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting enquiries concerning public matters; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre Dame de Montréal*, to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had gone

through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.
Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul*, of *Montreal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gendron* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;
And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the *Town of St. Germain de Rimouski* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate *La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Société Bienveillante de St. Jean-Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis* was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benoit* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Benoit* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House resumed the Debate on the Question which was this day proposed, That the bill for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies be now read a second time.

And the Question being put; the House divided: And it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration, and Colonization.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend 29th Vict. chap. 17, relating to Life Assurances, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Carter*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr.

Bellingham, Mr. Church, and Mr. Beaubien; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

And then the House adjourned, till Monday next.

Monday, 1st March, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the *Richelieu Company*, for the years 1866, 67, and 68. (Sessional Papers, No. 20.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the table:

By Mr. *Desaulniers (St. Maurice)*,—The Petition of the Reverend *H. Trahan* and others, of the Parish of *St. Séver*, County of *St. Maurice*.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of *Terrence Duff* and others, of the Townships of *Alumettes Island, Mansfield, Waltham, Chichester* and *Sheen*, County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Garon*,—The Petition of *E. Lacroix* and others, of the Eastern part of the County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. *Bachand*,—The Petition of *François Dion* and others, of the Parish of *Sy. Damase*, County of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *L. A. Grenier* and others, of the Parish of *Lacelle*; the Petition of *Cyrille Hébert* and others, of the Parish of *St. Valentin*, both of the County of *St. Jean*; the Petition of *Alfred Duplessis* and other Canadians, of *Forrestdale*, State of *Rhode Island*; the Petition of *Hubert Blanchet* and other Canadians, of *St. Albans*, State of *Vermont*; the Petition of *Joseph Hirbeur* and other Canadians, of *Grasvenor Dale*, State of *Connecticut*; and the Petition of *Joseph Gendron* and other Canadians, of *Cohoes*, State of *New York*.

By Mr. *Laberge*,—The Petition of *A. R. Bisson* and others, of the District of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *G. G. Stevens* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; the Petition of *Jeremiah Hiliker* and others, of the County of *Brome*; and two Petitions of *William Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Hemming*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Tessier* and others, of the Townships of *Wickham* and *Grantham*, County of *Drummond*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Charles Ryan* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for an Act of Incorporation.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Of *F. X. Mottard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Basile*, County of *Portneuf*; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of markets.

Of *Thomas McVeigh* and others, of the Township of *Litchfield*; praying that that part of the Township known as "*Little Litchfield*," be not erected into a separate Municipality.

Of Messrs. *Gillespie, Moffatt* and Company and others, Agents and Attornies of the several Fire Insurance Companies, in the City of *Montreal*; praying that the Office of Fire Marshal in the City of *Montreal* be abolished.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the repeal of the Law respecting Fire Marshals.

Of *Thomas Simpson* and others, the Clergy and Laity of the United Church of *England and Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act, giving the Dean of the United Church of *England and Ireland* at *Montreal*, all the powers of a Bishop, until such time as a Bishop be appointed to the See of *Montreal*.

Of *James McGowan* and others, of the Parish of *St. Clément*, County of *Beauharnois*; praying for the passing of an Act prohibiting the present style of winter vehicles,

Of *Joseph Sirois* and others, of the Parish of *St. Onésime d'Inworth*, County of *Kamouraska*; praying for the passing of an Act recognizing the new line of separation between the Parishes of *St. Onésime* and *Ste. Louise*, as established by the canonical decree of the twenty-eighth of December last.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Chrétien* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Flore*; praying that the North Shore Railway Company be separated from the Piles Railway Company.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Sorel*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Code, of a nature such as that the Town of *Sorel* may continue to be governed by its special charter (Act 23 Vict. cap. 75.)

Of *J. Harris* and others, of the Township of *Ascot*; praying that the *Sherbrooke* and *Eastern Townships* Railway Company be not incorporated, but that in lieu thereof an Act of Incorporation be granted to the *St. Francis Valley* Railway Company.

Of *J. B. Bell* and others, of the Township of *Stoke*,—and of *R. W. Heneker* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; severally praying that an Act of Incorporation be granted to the *Sherbrooke* and *Eastern Townships* Railway Company, and for other purposes.

Of *Nelson Davis* and others,—and of *Hugh Allan* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying that the Government do guarantee their rights of property in case the Corporation of the City of *Montreal* are authorized to acquire and establish a public Park on and in the vicinity of the mountain of *Montreal*.

Of the House of Refuge and School of Industry, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid to establish a House of Correction and Industry.

Of the Reverend *M. D. Marcoux* and others, of the Parish of *Champlain*; praying aid for the construction of a School House.

Of the Reverend *J. Ed. Dupras* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Julienne*; praying aid to rebuild a saw-mill.

Of the Reverend *L. J. Guyon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Eustache*,—of the Reverend *J. Deguoy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hermas*,—and of the Reverend *J. S. Thérberge* and others, of the Parish of *St. Augustin*, all in the County of *Terrebonne*; severally praying aid for a Wooden Railway.

Of *John McLaren* and others, of the Township of *Wakefield*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of the Reverend *W. Richardson* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie*,—of the Reverend *G. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *L'Anse St. Jean*,—of the Reverend *N. Doucet* and others, of the Parishes of *L'Anse St. Jean* and *St. Etienne de la Malbaie*, in the Counties of *Chicoutimi* and *Charlevoix*,—of *J. B. McDonald* and others, —and of *John McIver*, all of the United Townships of *Whitton*, *Hampden* and *Mars-ton*, County of *Compton*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Villeneuve* and others, of the *Saguenay*; praying aid for the *Lake St. John* and *Kinogami* roads.

Of the Reverend *J. N. Gingras* and others, of the Parish of *Baie St. Paul*,—of the Reverend *J. A. Bureau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agnès*,—of the Reverend *Julien Rioux* and others, of the Parish of *la Petite Rivière*,—of the Reverend *N. J. Gauvin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Irénée*,—and of the Reverend *Clovis Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *Les Eboulements*, all in the County of *Charlevoix*; severally praying aid for the *St. Urbain* and *Kinogami* roads.

Mr. Marchand, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the requisite Notices have been given in each case, namely:

Of *Frederick Penn*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to sell the property known as the "St. Lawrence Hall."—Of *James E. Judgson* and others, of the Township of *Litchfield*; praying that the part of the said Township known as *Little Litchfield*, be erected into a separate Municipality.

As to the Petition of *A. Bernard* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of incorporation under the name of the Dental Board of Examiners for the Province of *Quebec*, Your Committee recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule, seeing that their Petition is more for the Public interest than for that of the Petitioner.

Mr. Joly reported from the General Committee of Elections, that in pursuance of the 48th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, they had selected from the Alphabetical List of Members referred to them the following four Members to be the Chairmen's Panel, and to serve as Chairmen of Election Committees for the present Session: *Sydney Bellingham*, Esquire; *Joseph Adolphe Chapleau*, Esquire; *Félix Gabriel Marchand*, Esquire; *Jacques Philippe Rhéaume*, Esquire,

Ordered, That the Report do lie on the Table.

Mr. Joly also reported from the General Committee of Elections, That in pursuance of the 49th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, they had divided the Members remaining on the Alphabetical List into three Panels, marked severally A. B. C., each containing the same number of names.

Whereupon the Clerk decided by lot, at the Table, the order of the said Panels, and distinguished each of them by a number denoting the order in which they were respectively drawn, as follows: Panel C, No. 1, B, No. 2, A, No. 3.

Ordered, That the said Panels be printed.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House, the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec* Railway Company, and have agreed to several amendments, which they report for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have taken into consideration the Bill "to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals", and have made several amendments to the same, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. Bellerose, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have the honor to submit the following resolutions for adoption by Your Honorable House:

Resolved, 1. That no goods, furniture, or other articles whatsoever purchased, be received, unless the detailed account and the prices thereof accompany the same, and unless such accounts have been first examined by the Chief Office Clerk, who shall certify the same by affixing his signature thereto.

Resolved, 2. That the Accountant do pay no such account, which shall not have been first certified by the Chief Office Clerk, attested by the Clerk of the House, and (if the same is presented during the Session) approved by the Chairman of the

Committee on Contingencies, or (if during the Recess) approved, when possible, by Mr. Speaker.

Ordered, That Mr. Ogilvie have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the sale of part of the immoveable property substituted by the will of the late Dame Ann Jones, widow of Henry Corse.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Garon have leave to bring in a Bill to divide into two divisions the second registration division of the County of Rimouski.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Railways.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

A Bill to incorporate the Quebec and Gosford Railway Company, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Protestant Institution for Deaf-Mutes and for the Blind, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Society called "*Le Cercle de Québec*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

Mr. Marchand moved, seconded by Mr. Fortin, and the Question being proposed that it be;

Resolved,—1. That the Province possesses large sources of manufacturing and agricultural wealth, much of which remains undeveloped, and that many of our people cross our frontiers, and devote their whole energies to advancing the prosperity of a foreign country.

Resolved,—2. That it is necessary for the Legislature of this Province to adopt measures to retain in the Province the native population, and afford those of all origins who have left it and who are desirous of returning, opportunities to do so.

Resolved,—3. That it be an instruction to the Committee on Agriculture, Immigration, and Colonization, to take this subject into consideration, to enquire into a method of colonization calculated to conduce to the objects above stated, and to report thereon to this House.

And a Debate arising thereupon:

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Tremblay, seconded by M. Pelletier,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement shewing:

1. The sums paid separately to different persons for the printing of the House, the names of those who tendered therefor, and the nature of their tenders; the names of the actual printers, the tenor and duration of their contracts, and of the arrangements entered into with them

2. The prices agreed upon and the arrangements made between the Queen's Printer or the Government and the different printers, for the printing of the "Official Gazette," and other official papers; the names of the persons who were invited to tender, their replies and stipulations, and all other documents relative to the distribution of the aforesaid printed papers.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 2nd March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—Two Petitions of *Barnabé Parent* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Mailoux*,—The Petition of *Joseph Lebel* and others, of the Township of *Hocquart*, County of *Témiscouata*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *John Platt*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Bellerose*,—The Petition of *Monsignor Jacques Janvier Vinet*, and others.

By the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of *J. B. Renaud* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, Trustees of the *Quebec North Shore Turnpike Trust*.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the first Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth ;—

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, QUEBEC.

No. 3, Committee Room,

1st March, 1869.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON PRINTING—FIRST REPORT :—

The Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing, have the honor to submit as their First Report that of the Sub-Committee on the Printing, Printing Paper, and Binding, together with the Report of the Clerk of the Committee, for the last year.

Your Committee are particularly satisfied with the economy effected in this branch of the service.

Your Committee recommend that in future there be printed of the documents of the Legislative Assembly, the following number, to wit :

418 English Copies "Votes and Proceedings" instead of 325 English.

298 French copies and 291 English copies "Orders of the Day," instead of 250 French and 220 English.

329 French copies and 327 English copies "Private Bills," instead of 325 French and 250 English.

306 French copies and 275 "Legislative Assembly Bills" for 3rd reading, instead of 250 French and 200 English.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. O. BEAUBIEN,
President.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, QUEBEC

No. 3, Committee Room,

25th February, 1869.

To the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Printing :

SIR,—Your Sub-Committee, appointed to examine the Accounts for the Printing, Printing Paper, and Binding of both Houses, as also the Clerk's Report upon the same, for the past year, have the honor to submit the following Report :

That they have taken communication of the Vouchers ;

That they have found the books neat and well kept ;

That the Accounts are given in detail, clearly and correctly stated.

Your Sub-Committee are happy to say that the amount paid for Printing for the past year is much less than they had expected ; which desirable result is greatly owing to the careful attention of the Clerk who has faithfully performed his duty.

Your Sub-Committee do not deem it fit to offer any suggestion with regard to the adoption of a tariff for the Legislative Printing, as they prefer leaving to Your Honorable Committee the initiative of considering the advantages likely to result from a tariff or contract.

The whole respectfully submitted.

(Signed,)

J. O. BEAUBIEN, Chairman,
THOS. WOOD,
H. G. JOLY,
P. S. GENDRON.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, QUEBEC,

No. 3, Committee Room,

24th February, 1869.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing :

GENTLEMEN,—Pursuant to the Standing Order of the Committee, I submit to you the following accounts for Printing, Printing Paper, and Binding :

The Printing from the beginning of the Session (1867-68) has been done by different Printers of this City. Two documents have also been printed at *Montreal*, during recess.

The Printing accounts are accompanied with vouchers numbered as follows : those of the Honorable the Legislative Council, from 1 to 255, and those of the Legislative Assembly, from 1 to 580, in all 835.

The Binding of the documents of the Honorable the Legislative Council and of the Legislative Assembly, has been done by three Binders of Quebec.

The accounts of the Honorable the Legislative Council reach the following amount :

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| Printing..... | \$893 25 |
| Printing Paper..... | 206 15 |
| Binding | 194 86 |
| | ————— \$1294 26 |

Those of the Legislative Assembly :

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|---------------------|-----------------|
| Printing..... | \$4865 18 |
| Printing Paper..... | 1649 76 |
| Binding..... | 327 50 |
| | ————— \$6482 44 |

Total..... \$8136 70

Besides the amount above mentioned for Binding, Mr. Desbarats has bound some volumes for the Law Clerk amounting to \$32 60.

He has also bound a portion of the documents published by the Federal Legislature; his account for \$182.75 has not yet been paid.

The whole respectfully submitted.

(Signed,)

C. F. LANGLOIS,
C. J. C. P.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the Association called *l'Association St. Pierre de Sorel*, and have made amendments thereto, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. Picard reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*,

That inasmuch as the said Bill would have the effect of modifying the boundaries of two of the electoral divisions enumerated in the second schedule of "The British North America Act, 1867," and inasmuch as it does not appear to Your Committee that the said Bill received its second reading with the sanction of the majority of the Members representing the said electoral divisions, as required by section 80 of the said Act, Your Committee cannot proceed to consider the said Bill.

Ordered, That Mr. Mailloux have leave to bring in a Bill to change the *chef-lieu* of the Judicial District of *Kamouraska*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, have leave to bring in a Bill respecting District Magistrates in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

A Bill respecting inquiries concerning public matters, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to empower the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre-Dame de Montréal*, to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre-Dame des Neiges*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul* of *Montreal*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House, on the Bill to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries, being read;

And the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet moved, in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, That all the words after "That" to the end of the

Question be left out, and the words "the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House" inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the main Question so amended being put;

Ordered, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Chapleau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

And the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinonge)* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Poupart*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, to be therein amended by inserting the words "and ten." immediately after the word "six" in the fourth line of the first section of the said Bill, and by leaving out the word "and" after the word "five" in the said line," inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question being put on the amendment; The House divided: and it passed in the negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Chapleau* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to withdraw the Bill to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec," being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

And a debate arising thereupon;

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Protestant Institution for Deaf-mutes and for the Blind; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dumoulin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Society called "*Le Cercle de Québec*"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Lévis* and *Kennebec* Railway Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The House resumed the Debate on the Question which was this day proposed, That the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*," be now read a second time.

And the Question being put; the House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies General Clauses Act, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Incorporation Act, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Order of the Day being read for resuming the adjourned Debate upon the Question which was yesterday proposed, That it be:

Resolved. 1. That the Province possesses large sources of manufacturing and agricultural wealth; much of which remains undeveloped, while an important portion of our population crosses our frontier to devote their industry to the prosperity of a foreign country.

Resolved. 2. That it is necessary for the Legislature of this Province to adopt means of retaining in the country, our native population, and of affording those of all origins who have left it and who are desirous to return, opportunities to do so.

Resolved. 3. That it be an instruction to the Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization, to take these facts into consideration, to enquire into a method of colonization conducive to the objects above stated, and to report thereon to the House.

And the Question being again proposed; the House resumed the said adjourned Debate;

And the Question being put:—It was resolved in the affirmative.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 3rd March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Benoit*,—The Petition of *Joseph Dacier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Athanase*, County of *Iberville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*.—The Petition of *Henry Crawford* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel West*, County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Bergevin*,—The Petition of *Octave Marchand* and others, of the Parish of *St. Olement*; and the Petition of *P. C. Duranceau* and others, of the Town of *Beauharnois*, all of the County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Laberge*,—The Petition of *I. J. L. Derome* and others, of the Parish of *St. Urbain*; and the Petition of *A. C. Brown* and others, of the Parish of *St. Malachie*, all of the County of *Chateauguay*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *James Dinning* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *William Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Montreal Hospital for sick children*."

Of *William Workman* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an annual grant in favor of the "*Montreal Hospital for sick children*."

Of *E. Lacroix* and others, of the Eastern part of the County of *Rimouski*; praying that the County of *Rimouski* be divided into two separate County Municipalities.

Of the Reverend *H. Trahan* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sévère*, County of *St. Maurice*; praying that the North Shore Railway Company be separated from the Piles Railway Company.

Of *François Dion* and others, of the Parish of *St. Damase*, County of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying that the Bill respecting vehicles for winter roads, be not passed.

Of *L. A. Grenier* and others, of the Parish of *Lacolle*; of *Cyrille Hébert* and others, of the Parish of *St. Valentin*, all in the County of *St. Jean*; and of *A. R. Bisson* and others, of the District of *Beauharnois*; severally praying that the Bill respecting vehicles for winter roads, become law.

Of the Reverend *Joseph Tessier* and others, of the Townships of *Wickham* and *Grantham*, in the County of *Drummond*; praying that the Law respecting water courses be amended, in such a manner as to admit of the improvement of the "*Black River*" in the said Townships.

Of *Jeremiah Hilker* and others, of the County of *Brome*; and of *G. G. Stevens* and others, of the County of *Shefford*; severally praying for a free grant of land, and also a grant of \$100,000 to aid the construction of the *Waterloo, Magog and Stanstead Railway*.

Of *Terence Duff* and others, of the Townships of *Allumette Island*, *Mansfield*, *Waltham*, *Chichester* and *Sheen*, County of *Pontiac*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of *Alfred Duplessis* and other Canadians, of *Forestdale*, State of *Rhode Island*; of *Hubert Blanchet* and other Canadians, of *St. Albans*, State of *Vermont*; of *Joseph Hirbour* and other Canadians, of *Grosvenor Dale*, State of *Connecticut*; and of *Joseph Gendron* and other Canadians, of *Cohoes*, State of *New-York*; severally praying that the Parliament of *Quebec* will afford them the opportunity of returning to the country, by granting them the advantages it appears disposed to confer upon European Immigrants.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Municipality of *St. Roch de Québec-Sud*; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the said Municipality, and find that no Notices have been given, but Your Committee considering that all parties who may be interested in the objects of the said Petition have been sufficiently informed thereof, beg leave to recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

As to the Petition of *Charles Ryan* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, praying for the incorporation of the "*Quebec Stevedores' Benevolent Society*," Your Committee consider that no Notices are required.

And as to the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen, and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*, praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation, Your Committee find that the requisite Notices have been given.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain real estate, part of the succession of the late *Angus Macdonald*, and have made several amendments thereto, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Beaudreau* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *l'Union St. Joseph de Sorel*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Church* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate *l'Union St. Joseph de Notre-Dame de Hull*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter Seventy-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Legal Profession in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Tremblay* moved, seconded by Mr. *Pozer*, and the Question being proposed, That this House, while fully appreciating the qualities which distinguish Mr. *Brydges*, cannot but express its regret at the appointment of a stranger to the Province of *Quebec*, as one of the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway,—one more especially who is already at the head of a company at once very largely indebted to the public treasury, and powerful enough to control, to a certain extent, the action of the Government; that silence on the part of this House, under circumstances where interests of a nature so grave are concerned, might be construed as marking the approval of an act which this House believes at once hostile to the interests of the Province of *Quebec* and of the Dominion of *Canada*; that this House feels it therefore incumbent upon it to protest against such appointment.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the previous Question being put, "That that Question be now put"; the House divided: and it passed in the negative.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by Mr. *Dumoulin*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. *Carter* moved, seconded by Mr. *Ogilvie*, and the Question being proposed, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence between the Government of this Province and the Dominion Government in relation to Education, and the means to be adopted to give effect to the provisions of the Act of Confederation, conferring on the minority of this Province the privileges conferred on the minority in the Province of *Ontario*.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being six of the Clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the Protestant Institution for Deaf-mutes, and for the Blind, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Society called "*Le Cercle de Québec*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec Railway Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fortin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scriver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Association St. Pierre de Sorel*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads, being read;

Mr. *Benoit* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scriver*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Goutlée* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Gendron*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for they were taken down as follow:

YEAS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> |
| <i>Desautreux,</i> | <i>Desautniers (Maski-</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Rheume,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>ongé),</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Roy, and</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Verreault.—16.</i> |
| <i>Coutlée,</i> | | | |

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Desautniers (St.</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>Maurice),</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Pozar,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |

Brigham,
Couchon,
Chapais,
Chapleau,
Clément,

Hamilton,
Hearn,
Hemming,
Irvine (Solicitor-
General),

Marchand,
Mell,
Ogilvie,
Oumet (Attorney-Ge-
neral),

Robertson,
Ross,
Seriver,
Thérien, and
Tremblay.—37.

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled: "An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Game Laws of this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a select Committee composed of Mr. *Bellingham*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Tremblay*, Mr. *Fortin*, Mr. *Verreault*, and Mr. *Rhéaume*, to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 4th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of *F. X. Bossé* and others, of the Township of *Rivière-aux-Renards*.

By Mr. *Bellerose*,—The Petition of the *Isle Jésus* Turnpike Road Company; the Petition of *Daniel Adolphe Plessis* dit *Bélair*, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*; and the Petition of *J. B. BeDien* and others.

By Mr. *Bessette*,—The Petition of *R. L. Ball* and others, of *Roxton* and other Townships.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *J. Williamson* and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of the *Montreal City Passenger Railway Company*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the *Chambly Hydraulic Company*.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of *John Davidson* and others, of the City and Bailliens of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Robertson*,—The Petition of the Honorable *J. S. Sanborn* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of the School of Medicine and Surgery of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day the following Petitions were read :

Of *Barnabé Parent* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*; praying that the North Shore Turnpike Trust be released from the debt of the South Shore Turnpike Trust.

Of *John Platt*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be declared the sole and absolute proprietor of certain property that he is possessed of under the will of the

late *John Platt*.

Of *Monsignor Jacques Janvier Vinet* and others; praying for the preservation of the rights and privileges conferred upon them by the Acts of *William 4th*, Chapter 30, and 10 and 11 *Victoria*, Chapter 97, respecting the erection of the bridges "Lachapelle" and "Viau."

Of *J. B. Renaud* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, Trustees of the North Shore Turnpike Trust; praying that the Act 29 and 30 *Victoria*, Chapter 108, intituled: "An Act to authorise *William John Bickell* to construct a bridge over the River St. Charles," be not amended.

Of *Barnabé Parent* and others, of the Parish of *Charlesbourg*, County of *Quebec*,—and of *Joseph Lebel* and others, of the Township of *Hocquart*, County of *Témiscouata*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Mr. Bellerose, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, QUEBEC,

4th March, 1869.

FIFTH REPORT OF THE SELECT STANDING COMMITTEE ON CONTINGENCIES.

Your Committee have the honor to submit to Your Honorable House the estimates, hereto annexed, which have been prepared by the Accountant, of the amount which will be required to meet the contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly from this date until the end of the Session: say the 2nd April, 1869. According to this estimate the amount required will be \$30,000.

Your Committee, satisfied with the reasonableness of these estimates, accordingly recommend to Your Honorable House the adoption of the following Resolution:

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to issue his Warrant in favor of *George Manly Muir*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Thirty thousand dollars (30,000), towards defraying the contingent expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Your Committee having been informed that a vacancy has occurred among the messengers of this Honorable House, beg respectfully to recommend that only for the remainder of this Session this vacancy be filled.

The whole respectfully submitted.

JOS. H. BELLEROSE,
Chairman,
C. C.

ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE,
2nd March, 1869.

STATEMENT OF SUMS required to meet the disbursements of the Legislative Assembly, from this date to the end of the Session, say:—2nd April, 1869.

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| Indemnity to Members, balance due for Sessional allowance and mileage..... | 23845 | 90 | | |
| Salaries..... | 2466 | 55 | | |
| Extra Service..... | 630 | 00 | | |

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| Messengers..... | 560 00 | |
| Stationery | 50 00 | |
| Newspapers and Advertising..... | 192 00 | |
| Printing and Binding..... | 1654 35 | |
| Miscellaneous : | | |
| Permanent women..... | 24 80 | |
| Extra Charwomen..... | 89 60 | |
| Postage | 486 80 | 601 20 |
| Being amount provided..... | | 30,000 00 |
| | | \$ 30,000 00 |

(Signed,)

J. B. FRÉCHETTE,

Accountant,

L. A.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the *Union St. Joseph de Sorel*, and have made amendments thereto which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the English Workingmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. Picard have leave to bring in a Bill to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Chapleau have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Consolidated Seigniorial Act and to remedy certain errors committed in the drawing up of the Cadastres of certain Seigniories, and notably in that of the Seigniorie of *Nicolas Rioux*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter have leave to bring in a Bill to enable the Senior Dignitary of the Church of England and Ireland in the Diocese of *Montreal*, next in rank to the Bishop, to perform certain duties and exercise certain powers during the vacancy of the See of *Montreal*, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered at the Bar of the House the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by Mr. *Carter*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Resolved, That, on Monday next, Government measures shall have precedence at half past seven o'clock P. M.

A Bill to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the following amendment was made to the Bill.:

Page 3, add the following words at the end of clause 5: "21. The persons mentioned in Section twenty-three of the Act fourth and fifth Victoria, chapter ninety."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies' General Clauses Act; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Incorporation Act; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Clément* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Chambly* Hydraulic Company, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*."

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock P.M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec Railway Company*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the "*Association St. Pierre de Sorel*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain moveable and immoveable property belonging to *Marie Eleonore Isabella Macdonald*, his Ward, as Usufructuary, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin* moved, seconded by Mr. *Carter*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Hemming* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Scriver*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day week, and that in the meantime it be an instruction to the Committee on Private Bills to report to this House the evidence on which their Report in connection with the same is founded," added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the Question being put on the amendment, it passed in the negative.

Then, the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The House then resumed the Committee on the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Chapleau* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again to-morrow.

The House then adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 5th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of Messieurs *Allan, Gilmour* and Company, and others, of the Provinces of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, Lumber Merchants.

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of the Honorable *John Young*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Gaudet*,—The Petition of *Valère Guillet, George Baptist, D. G. La-Barre* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*.

By the Honorable Mr. Langevin,—The Petition of the Directors of the Quebec Dispensary.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of the St. Patrick's Hall Association, of the City of Montreal.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of James Dinning and others, of the City of Quebec; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of Quebec."

Of Henry Crawford and others, of the Parish of St. Gabriel West, County of Quebec; praying aid for a Road.

Of Joseph Dacier and others, of the Parish of St. Athanase, County of Iberville,—of Octave Marchand and others, of the Parish of St. Clement,—of P. C. Duranseau and others, of the Town of Beauharnois, all of the County of Beauharnois,—of I. J. L. Derome and others, of the Parish of St. Urbain,—and of A. C. Brown and others, of the Parish of St. Malachie, all of the County of Chateauguay; severally praying that the Bill respecting vehicles for winter roads may become law.

Mr. Benoit, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of William Workman and others, of the City of Montreal; praying for an Act of Incorporation, under the name of the "Montreal Hospital for sick children,"—and that of the Chambly Hydraulic Company; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation. Your Committee find that these Petitions are of the class not requiring any notice.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of E. Lacroix and others, of the East part of the County of Rimouski; praying that the County of Rimouski may be divided into two separate municipalities; and recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule, seeing that from the nature of the application the parties interested appear sufficiently informed.

Your Committee have also the honor to recommend to Your Honorable House, that the Ten days Notice, as required under the 60th Rule of the House, be limited to Five days only; such period to be computed from the date of the Order of the House referring any Bill for consideration by the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, during the continuance of the present Session; and that the said Rule be suspended in accordance therewith, so as to allow such Committee to take such Bill into consideration after Five days Notice of posting.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and made several amendments to the same, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House, viz:

Bill, to incorporate "The St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company."

Bill, to incorporate "L'Union St. Joseph de Notre Dame de Hull."

Bill, to incorporate "The English Workmen's Benefit Society of Montreal."

Your Committee have also the honor to recommend to Your Honorable House, that the Ten days Notice, as required under the 60th Rule of the House, be limited to Five days only; such period to be computed from the date of Order of the House referring any Bill for consideration by Your Committee during the continuance of the present Session; and that the said Rule be suspended in accordance therewith, so as to allow Your Committee to take such Bill into consideration after Five days Notice of posting.

On motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Church,

Resolved, nemine contradicente: That during the continuance of the present

Session, the Ten days Notice, required by the 60th Rule of this House, be limited to Five days only, such period to be computed from the date of the Order of this House, referring any Bill to the consideration of the Private Bill Committee, and that the said Rule be suspended accordingly.

Mr. *Béliveau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Verreault*, and the Question being proposed,

That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to amend the Act intituled: "An Act to extend the powers of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch of Quebec South*" and to change the corporate name of the said Municipality into that of "The Corporation of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*," and for other purposes therein mentioned;

The House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That Mr. *Béliveau* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies General Clauses Act, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies Incorporation Act, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting Railways, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

The House resumed the Debate on the Question which was, on Wednesday last, proposed,

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—Copies of all correspondence between the Government of this Province and the Dominion Government in relation to Education, and the means to be adopted to give effect to the provisions of the Act of Confederation, conferring on the minority of this Province the privileges conferred on the minority in the Province of Ontario, and the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec."

And it being six o'clock P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the *Association St. Pierre de Sorel*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to incorporate the Association called the Association St. Pierre de Sorel."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain moveable and immoveable property belonging to *Marie Eltonore Isabella Macdonald*, his ward, as usufructuary; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benoit* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Benoit* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "*L'Union St. Joseph de Sorel*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Chambly Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

The House then resumed the Committee on the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Chapleau* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 8th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Moll*,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Berthier*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of *J. C. Chamberlin* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*,—and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company*.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *Joseph Laurin* and others, of the District of *Quebec*, Notaries.

By Mr. *Bergevin*,—The Petition of *Narcisse Leclerc* and others, of the Parish of *St. Etienne*, County of *Beauharnois*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of *Louis Maillé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte*.

By Mr. *Desaulniers (St. Maurice)*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Thos. Martel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Barnabé*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *J. D. Comeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Boniface*.

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of *Etienne Fournier* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Antonin* and *Rivière-du-Loup*, County of *Témiscouata*.

By Mr. *Hemming*,—The Petition of *Bruno Côté* and others, of the Township of *Simpson*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Honorable *John Young*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of "The *Montreal Hydraulic Company*," and for the further extension of the provisions of the "Act 24 Vict., chapter 96."

Of the *Montreal City Passenger Railway Company*,—and of the *St. Patrick's Hall Association* of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying for amendments to their Acts of Incorporation.

Of *Valère Guillet*, *George Baptist*, *D. G. LaBarre* and others, of the City of *Three Rivers*; praying that any Bill tending to authorise their Town Council to borrow money, whether by the issue of debentures, or otherwise, or to permit the imposition of new taxes in the said City, be rejected, and that the same do not become law.

Of *R. L. Ball* and others, of *Roxton* and other Townships; praying for the erection of a Parish under the name of the Parish of *Ste. Pudentienne*.

Of *John Davidson* and others, of the City and Banlieue of *Quebec*; praying that a bread and wood inspector be appointed in the said City.

Of the Honorable *J. S. Sandorn* and others, of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying that the Bill respecting the Notarial Profession be amended.

Of *F. X. Bossé* and others, of the Township of *Rivière-aux-Renards*; praying for the repeal of Section 28, of Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower-Canada*.

Of *Messrs. Allan, Gilmour & Co.* and others, of the Province of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, lumber merchants; praying that before a bridge be constructed over the *Ottawa* River, North of the Island of *Montreal*, Commissioners be appointed by the Government to select the site thereof.

Of *Daniel Adolphe Plessis dit Bélair*, of the Parish of *Ste. Rose*; praying that the rights and privileges conferred on him by the Act 10 and 11 George IV Chap. 36, respecting the erection of a bridge over the River *Jésus* opposite the village of *Ste. Rose*, be maintained.

Of *J. B. DeBien* and others; praying that the rights and privileges conferred on them by the Act 12 Victoria, Chapter 187, respecting the erection of the "*DeBien*" Bridge, be maintained.

Of the *Isle Jésus Turnpike Road Company*; praying to be indemnified, in the event of the Bill for the construction of a Railway between *Montreal* and *St. Jérôme*, becoming law.

Of the School of Medicine and Surgery, of the City of *Montreal*; praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of the Directors of the *Quebec Dispensary*; praying for an annual grant in favor of the said Dispensary.

Of *J. Williamson* and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*; praying aid for a Road.

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company*, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for amendments to their Act of Incorporation.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the *Maganacippi River Improvement Company*, and made several amendments thereto, which are submitted for the consideration of your Honorable House.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg to report to Your Honorable House, the Bill to provide

for the formation and encouragement of Colonisation Societies, and to recommend that the same be adopted without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have considered the Bill to incorporate the *Sherbrooke and Eastern Townships Railway Company*,—the Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley Railway Company*,—the Bill to reduce the capital stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*; and have made amendments to the same which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address, dated 18th February, 1869; for a Statement, showing the total number of acres of land disposed of by sale or free grants during the year ending 30th June, 1868, classified according to Table No. 3, Appendix No. 12, to wit: *Gaspé*; Eastern Townships; *Ottawa*; *St. Maurice*; *Saguenay*. (Sessional Papers, No. 21.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Hearn* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That all Petitions presented to the House this session; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of markets, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the security to be given by officers of this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

A Bill to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain moveable and immoveable property belonging to *Marie Eléonore Isabella Macdonald*, his ward, as usufructuary, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain Real Estate belonging to the Estate of the late *Angus Macdonald*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Union St. Joseph de Sorel*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same with an amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Hamilton reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the "St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate *L'Union St. Joseph de Notre Dame de Hull*, being read.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the English Workmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 95 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Lotteries, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. Dumoulin, the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, the Honorable Mr. Langevin, Mr. Poupore, Mr. Church, Mr. Marchand, Mr. Joly, and Mr. Bellerose; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act for continuing the Legislature of *Quebec*, in case of the demise of the Crown."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*."

And also the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Infant School Association."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Church, seconded by Mr. Poupore,

Ordered, That the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Infant School Association," be now read for the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. Church, seconded by Mr. Poupore,

Ordered, That the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge," be now read for the first time.

The said Bill was accordingly read the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. Chauveau, one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by his Excellency.

And the said message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members being uncovered, and is as followeth ;

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits to the Legislative Assembly, an Estimate of the sums required for the Province, for the eighteen months to be computed from the first day of January, 1869; and in conformity with the provisions of the 54th Section of the British North America Act, 1867, he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

Government House,
Quebec, 8th March, 1869.

Ordered, That the said message, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock, on Tuesday morning.

Tuesday, 9th March, 1869

The Order of the Day being read for the Committee of Supply; the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding thirty nine thousand seven hundred and sixty one dollars and forty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to members and the Salaries and Contingent Expenses of the Legislative Council, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received to-morrow,

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House, having continued to sit till half an hour after one of the clock on Tuesday morning, adjourned till this day.

Tuesday, 9th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :—

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *Norman McDonald* and others, of the Township of *Whitton*, County of *Compton*.

By Mr. *Hamilton*,—The Petition of *A. Tourangeau* and others, of the Municipality of *St. Roch de Québec Sud*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of *Louis Antoine Routier* and others, of the County of *Quebec*.

Mr. *Bellingham* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill further to amend the Game Laws of this Province, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*, and have made amendments to the same, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *James Dinning* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying to be incorporated under the name of "The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*," and find it not to be of the class requiring notices.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the *Montreal City Passenger Railway Company*; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation, and find that the requisite notices have been given.

As to the Petition of the St. Patrick's Hall Association of *Montreal*; praying for power to raise thirty-five thousand dollars, Your Committee find that no notices have been given, but they are convinced, through the statements contained in the Petition, that the shareholders of the said Hall are well informed of its prayer, and Your Committee therefore recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dumoulin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 20th Victoria, Chapter 149, intitled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice Railway and Navigation Company*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That the Petitions of the Reverend *J. Laberge* and others, of the Parish of *L'Ancienne Lorette*,—of *L. A. Routier* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Foye*, County of *Quebec*,—of *F. X. Frenette* and others, of the Parish of *Cap Sante*,—of *John McCormick* and others, of *St. Alban*,—of the Reverend *N. Guertin* and others, of *St. Casimir*,—of *Léandre Delisle* and others, of *Pointe-aux-Trembles*,—of the Reverend *A. Belanger* and others, of *Deschambault*,—of the Reverend *J. O'Grady* and others, of *St. Catherine*,—of the Reverend *A. Milette* and others, of *St. Augustin*,—of *Léon Delisle* and others, of *Portneuf*,—of the Reverend *L. T. Bernard* and others, of *Les Ecoreils*,—of *Augustin Côté* and others, of *Les Grondines*,—of *Ignace P. Déry* and others, of *St. Raymond*,—and of *F. X. Mollard* and others, of *St. Bazile*, all of the County of *Portneuf*; severally praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of markets, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Order of the Day for the House again in Committee of Supply, being read:

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, and the Question being proposed: That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate *L'Union St. Joseph de Sorel*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to incorporate the *Union St. Joseph de Sorel*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *LeCavalier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate *L'Union St. Joseph de Notre Dame de Hull*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *LaRue* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the English Workingmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Sherbrooke and Eastern Townships Railway Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley Railway Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to reduce the capital stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

And the Debate on the Question, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair, for the House again in Committee of Supply, being resumed;

And the Question being put; the House divided; and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred thousand, three hundred and thirteen dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members and the salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Elections; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as a grant to the Parliamentary Library; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand, five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary and contingent expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand, four hundred and eighty-seven dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of printing, binding and distributing the laws; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred and three thousand, two hundred and forty-three dollars and sixty-six cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingent expenses of the several Departments of the Civil Government, as follows: Lieutenant-Governor's Office, the sum of \$3,959; Executive Council Department, the sum of \$6,487; Secretary and Registrar's Department, the sum of \$21,375; Crown Law Department, the sum of \$14,325; Treasury Department, the sum of \$24,175; Crown Lands Department, the sum of \$49,016.66; Agriculture and Public Works Department, the sum of \$20,175; Public Instruction Department, the sum of \$15,640; Speaker of Legislative Council, the sum of \$4,800; Contingencies, the sum of \$43,291; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-two thousand and five dollars and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of Police; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand, six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Prison Inspection; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee have come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 10th March,, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages and Burials in the District of *Quebec*, for the year 1868. (Sessional Papers, No. 8).

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinonge)*,—The Petition of *Louis Provost* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Didace* and *St. Gabriel*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of *Alphonse Dumais*, of the County of *Gaspé*; Notary.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of *Félix Bigaouette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Roch de Québec-Sud*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Bruno Côté* and others, of the Township of *Simpson*; praying that the said Township do form part of the Agricultural Society No. 1, in the County of *Drummond*.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Berthier*; praying that the Municipal Code be amended in such a manner that the Town of *Berthier* may continue to be governed by its special charter, (29 Vic. cap. 61.)

Of *Jos. Laurin* and others, of the District of *Quebec*, Notaries; praying that the Bill respecting the Notarial Profession do pass with certain amendments.

Of *Narcisse Leclerc* and others, of the Parish of *St. Etienne*, County of *Beauharnois*; praying that the Bill respecting vehicles for winter roads may become law.

Of *Louis Maillé* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte*; praying to be separated from the County of *Montcalm*, and to be annexed to the County of *Terrebonne*.

Of the Reverend *Thomas Martel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Barnabé*; praying that the North Shore Railway Company be separated from the Piles Railway Company.

Of the Reverend *J. D. Comeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Boniface*; praying that they alone may have the right of disposing of all the timber which may be on their respective lots of land.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of *J. C. Chamberlin* and others, of the County of *Ottawa*,—and of *Etienne Fournier* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Antonin* and *Rivière du Loup*, County of *Témiscouata*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Félix Bigaouette* and others, of the Parish of *St. Roch de Québec-Sud*, presented to the House this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the Bill to amend the Act intitled: "An Act to extend the powers of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch of Québec-South*" and to change the corporate name of the said Municipality into that of "The Corporation of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*," and for other purposes therein mentioned, may become law.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* Railroad Company; praying for an Act to declare their Charter in continued operation, a large part of their road being completed. Your Committee report that no notice has been given; but as it is clear that no party can be interested in such notice, Your Committee recommend a suspension of the 51st Rule in favor of the Petitioners.

Your Committee have also examined the petition of the Honorable *John Young*, of the city of *Montreal*; praying that the time given by Act 24 *Victoria*, Chapter 96, to the Petitioner and others, under the name of "the *Montreal Hydraulic and Dock Company*" for completion of the works, may be extended, and the Company named "the *Montreal Hydraulic Company*," and find that no notices have been given; but Your Committee considering from the statements in the Petition that the usual Notices are not requisite, and further that all parties have been sufficiently informed, recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill respecting the *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company*, and have made some slight amendments thereto, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. Dumoulin reported, from the select Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 95 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Lotteries, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That *Mr. Bellerose* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the 27 Vic-

toria, Chapter 26, intituled: "An Act to provide means of supplying the loss of the Public Records and Documents occasioned by the destruction by fire of the Gaol and Court House of the District of *Kamouraska*, and for securing the rights of interested parties.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *Hemming*, seconded by Mr. *Chapleau*,

Ordered, That the Entry in the Journals of this House of last Session relative to the Petition of *Charles de Salaberry*, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for a grant of land, in consideration of services rendered by his father the late Lieutenant-Colonel *Charles de Salaberry*, during the war of 1812, be now read;

And the same was accordingly read;

Ordered, That the said petition be received and read, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to establish the limits of the Counties of *Montcalm* and *Joliette*, for electoral and other purposes, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *LaRue*, seconded by Mr. *Joly*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement of the Coroners's inquests in the Province of *Quebec*, since the inauguration of Confederation. Such statement showing the number of inquests held by the Coroners, the cause of death, the name of the physicians whose services were required by the Coroner and the Juries in each case of inquest, the number of post-mortem examinations made by the physician or physicians called in these inquests, and the reports made by the Coroner's Jury on each inquest.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, seconded by Mr. *Tremblay*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, the official correspondence and all other documents in relation to the fires which have occurred on the shores of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, in the *Gaspé* District, in 1867 and 1868.

On motion of Mr. *Benoit*, seconded by Mr. *Chapleau*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement shewing:

1. The names of the Registry Offices actually provided with plans and books of reference for registration purposes, in accordance with the article 2166 and 2167 of the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*, and Chapter thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

2. The date of the appointment and the names of the Commissioners, Surveyors, and other persons who have, up to this time, been engaged as Superintendents, or employed in drawing up plans and books of reference under the Laws and Statutes aforesaid.

3. The amount of the salaries which have been paid to such Commissioners, Surveyors and other employees, and all other expenditures hitherto incurred in drawing up the said plans and books of reference.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled: "An Act respecting municipalities and roads in *Lower Canada*;" and

after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Bessette reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Bessette reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill farther to amend the Game Laws of this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Roy reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*, being read;

Mr. Picard moved, seconded by Mr. Bellerose, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. Hemming moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. Scriver, That the word "now" be left out and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arose thereupon.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary papers," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30, with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30," and the same was read as follows:

Page 1, line 13, after the word "described" insert the words "and also the Municipality of *La Grande Rivière*."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, to-morrow.

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate *L'Union St. Joseph de Notre-Dame de Hull*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to incorporate the Society called the Union St. Joseph of Notre-Dame of Hull."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the English Workingmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers (St. Maurice)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Desaulniers (St. Maurice)* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Sherbrooke and Eastern Townships Railway Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley Railway Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scriver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Scriver* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to reduce the Capital Stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gaudet* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company*, and that the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

The debate upon the amendment which was this day proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill to annex a portion of the Township of Tingwick to the Township of Wotton, be now read a second time, and which amendment was, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof, being resumed.

And a further Debate arising thereupon; the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being again proposed, That the said Bill be now read a second time.

The said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution, which was read, as followeth :

Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-nine thousand seven hundred and sixty-one dollars and forty cents, be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Indemnity and Mileage to Members and the Salaries and Contingent expenses, of the Legislative Council, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply several Resolutions, which were read, as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred thousand, three hundred and thirteen dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Indemnity and Mileage to Members and the salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Elections; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as a grant to the Parliamentary Library; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand, five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary and contingent expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand four hundred and eighty-seven dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of printing, binding and distributing the laws; for the eighteen months ending 30th June 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred and three thousand, two hundred and forty-three dollars and sixty-six cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingent expenses of the several Departments of the Civil Government, as follows: Lieutenant-Governor's Office, the sum of \$3,959; Executive Council Department, the sum of \$6,487; Secretary and Registrar's Department, the sum of \$21,375; Crown Law Department, the sum of \$14,325; Treasury Department, the sum of \$24,175; Crown Lands Department, the sum of \$49,016.66; Agriculture and Public Works Department, the sum of \$20,175; Public Instruction Department, the sum of \$15,640; Speaker of Legislative Council, the sum of \$4,800; Contingencies, the sum of \$43,291; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-two thousand and five dollars and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of Police; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand, six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Prison Inspection; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House again in Committee of Supply; The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And the House having continued to set till after twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 11th March, 1869.

And the Question being put,—it was resolved in the affirmative.
The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty seven thousand and thirty three dollars and eighteen cents, be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seventy one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superior Education; for the twelve months ending the 31st December, 1869.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and eighty-four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Common Schools, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of schools in poor municipalities; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Normal Schools; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Salaries of School Inspectors; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Books for Prizes; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Journals of Education; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Medical Faculty, McGill College, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the School of Medicine, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Montreal* Historical Society; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Literary and Historical Society, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards the publication of "*Le Naturaliste Canadien*;" for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1869.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Arts and Manufactures; for twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her

Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Arts and Manufactures; for the six months ending 31st December, 1868, remaining unpaid on that day and therefore written off.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to Agricultural Societies, &c; for twelve months ending 31st December, 1869, and covering statutory appropriations.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Agriculture, in case of a Provincial Exhibition being held, but not otherwise, for the eighteen months ending the 30th June, 1870.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to Agricultural Instruction in connection with Normal Schools, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Agricultural School of *Ste. Anne*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Agricultural School of *L'Assomption*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand two hundred and seven dollars and seventy cents, be granted to Her Majesty, if obtained on account of the Province from the Government of the Dominion, but not otherwise; to be divided equally between the Agricultural Schools, *Ste. Anne* and *L'Assomption*, for service antecedent to 30th June, 1867.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards Immigration, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to Colonization Societies, covering statutory appropriations; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and eighty seven thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of first class Colonization Roads; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of second class Colonization Roads; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of third class Colonization Roads; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Surveys, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Maps and Statements; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received this day.

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House having continued to sit till twenty minutes past one of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 11th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Beaubien*.—The Petition of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde, pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité, of Montreal*,—of *Les Dames Religieuses de Notre Dame de Charité du Bon Pasteur, Montreal*,—and of *Pierre Frigon* and others, of the village of *Côte St. Louis, County of Hochelaga*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Norman McDonald* and others, of the Township of *Whitton, County of Compton*; praying aid for a Road;—of *Louis Antoine Routier* and others, of the County of *Quebec*; praying that the North Shore Turnpike Trust be released from the debt of the South Shore Turnpike Trust; of *A. Tourangeau*, and others, of the Municipality of *St. Roch de Québec-Sud*; praying that the Bill to amend the Act intituled : “An Act to extend the powers of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch, of Québec South*, and to change the corporate name of the said Municipality into that of the Corporation of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” may not become law.

Mr. *Church* from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Act intituled : “An Act to extend the powers of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch of Québec South*, and to change the corporate name of the said Municipality into that of the Corporation of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*, and for other purposes therein mentioned,” and find that the preamble has not been proved to the satisfaction of Your Committee.

Ordered, That Mr. *Rhéaume* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Stevadores Benevolent Society of Québec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled : “An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be : “An Act to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled : “An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*, and to amend 25th Victoria, Chapter 49.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :—

1. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding forty seven thousand and thirty three dollars and eighteen cents, be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding seventy one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superior Education; for the twelve months ending the 31st December, 1869.

3. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and eighty-four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty to defray, the expenses of Common Schools; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. Resolved, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her

Majesty, to defray the expenses of schools in poor municipalities; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Normal Schools; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding nineteen thousand eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Salaries of School Inspectors; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Books for Prizes; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

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10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Medical Faculty, McGill College, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

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12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Montreal Historical Society; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Literary and Historical Society, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

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23. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand two hundred and seven dollars and seventy cents, be granted to Her Majesty, if obtained on account of the Province from the Government of the Dominion, but not otherwise; to be divided equally between the Agricultural Schools, *Ste. Anne* and *L'Assomption*, for service antecedent to 30th June, 1867.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards Immigration; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to Colonization Societies, covering statutory appropriations; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and eighty-seven thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of first class Colonization Roads; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

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29. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Surveys; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Maps and Statements; for the eighteen months ending 30th June 1870.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinongé)* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 95 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Lotteries; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *LeCavalier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

And it being six of the clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the "*St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Sherbrooke* and Eastern Townships Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke*, Eastern Townships and *Kennebec* Railway Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley Railway Company*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley and Kennebec Railway Company*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to reduce the capital stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*, was, according to Order, read a third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to reduce the capital stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*, of the Township of *Cleveland*, Province of *Quebec*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill, to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Maganacippi River Improvement Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The House according to Order resolved itself into a committee on the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and administration of the Public Lands;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robertson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the report be received, to-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—General Statement and Return of Baptisms, Marriages, and Burials in the District of Chicoutimi, for the year 1868. (Sessional Papers, No. 8.)

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the security to be given by officers of this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to-morrow.

Friday, 12th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Hemming*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Stanfold*, County of *Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Scriver*,—The Petition of *John Scriver* and others, of the District of *Beauharnois*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of J. B. *Pruneau* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Roch de Québec*, *Charlesbourg*, and *Beauport*.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Hébertville de Chicoutimi*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Louis Provost* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Didace* and *St. Gabriel*; praying aid for a Road.

Of *Alphonse Dumais*, of the County of *Gaspé*, Notary; praying that section 13 of Chapter 38 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting titles to property in *Gaspé*, be repealed.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the two following Bills, and made some amendments to the same, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House :

Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled : "An Act to incorporate 'The *Montreal* Infant School Association.'"

Bill, to incorporate "The Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*."

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 10th March, 1869; for the official correspondence and all other documents in relation to the fires which have occurred on the shores of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, in the *Gaspé* District, in 1867 and 1868. (Sessional Papers, No 22.)

Ordered, That Mr. *Pozzer* have leave of absence from this day till Wednesday next, in consequence of urgent business.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*," presented to the House the Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

The Select Committee on the Bill No. 35, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*," and the Bill No. 31, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*," beg leave to report that they have, with the consent of the movers, combined the provisions of the said Bills in the Bill No. 35; intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*," with amendments, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That the said Bill be reprinted as amended.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, seconded by Mr. *Tremblay*,

Ordered, That the return to an Address of the 10th instant, for the Official Correspondence and all other documents in relation to the fires which have occurred on the shores of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, in the *Gaspé* District, in 1867 and 1868, be referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Fortin*, the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Poupore*, Mr. *Tremblay*, Mr. *Jo*, Mr. *Lavallée*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Roy* and Mr. *Hemming*; to report thereupon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered at the Bar of the House, the following message.

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill intituled : "An Act respecting Inquiries concerning Public matters, without any amendment.

And also the Legislative Council request that this House will return to their Honors the Bill intituled: "An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30," in order to strike out an amendment which was made by their Honors in error.

And then he withdrew.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council to return the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30," as requested by their Honors in their Message of this day.

The Order of the Day being read, for receiving the report of the Committee of the Whole on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of Public Lands."

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Tremblay* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Blais*, that all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by leaving out in the thirteenth section, the words "upon any public roads opened through the said lands in any new settlement" and inserting instead thereof the words "in any locality that he shall deem suitable."

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And objection being taken that the motion was out of order, inasmuch as it is in contravention to the 54th and 90th Clauses of the British North America Act, 1867.

Mr. Speaker said that in his opinion, the motion was out of order, inasmuch as Sections 54 and 90, of the Imperial Act, 30 Victoria, Chap. 3. (The British North America Act, 1867) prescribe that the House cannot adopt or pass any vote, Resolution, Address, or Bill for the appropriation of any part of the public revenue, or of any tax or impost to any purpose that has not been first recommended by Message of the Lieutenant-Governor in the Session in which such vote, Address, Resolution or Bill is passed.

This motion tends to the appropriation of the public Domain. The thirteenth Section of the Bill which it proposes to amend, specifies the localities in which free grants shall be given, while the motion to refer the Bill to a Committee of the Whole with an instruction to amend the same, would place the whole public domain, at the disposal of the Executive, for free grants under a Statute.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Robertson* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Maguanacippi* River Improvement Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Scriver* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *St. Lawrence* Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker, resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter

Seventy-Seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

A Bill to amend Chapter 95 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, respecting Lotteries, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be : " An Act to amend the laws respecting Bazaars and Lotteries."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And it being six of the clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders for Private Bills were called.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended as regards a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company ; and that the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

A Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Northern Colonization Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the following proviso was added to the fifth Clause.

" And provided further that public notice shall be given in the *Official Gazette*, under the signature of the Provincial Secretary, of the said plans being submitted to the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and that the said plans shall remain deposited in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works for the period of three months before being so approved."

Mr. *Church* moved, seconded by Mr. *Brigham*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be further amended by striking out the words " the place called Mile End " in the third line of the second clause ; also the words " the City of *Montreal* " in the fourth line ; and also the words " the City of *Montreal* and " in the fifth line, and inserting the words " a point in or near the City of *Montreal* " after the word " from " in the third line.

The House divided : and it passed in the negative.

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads, being read ;

Mr. *Molleur* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scriver*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair ; the House divided : and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bellingham* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Railways ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the

Chair; and Mr. Fortin reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee had leave to sit again, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of Quebec;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. LeCavalier reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned, till Monday next.

Monday, 15th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. Langevin,—The Petition of *Antoine Ruel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Lévis*; the Petition of the Board of Trade of the City of *Quebec*; and the Petition of the Council of the Board of Trade of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Ross,—The Petition of *Narcisse Roy* and others, of the Township of *Hereford*, County of *Compton*.

By Mr. Chapleau,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. A. Baile* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Anne des Plaines*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *St. Jérôme*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*; the Petition of the Reverend *L. A. Dequoy* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*; the Petition of the Reverend *A. Giguère* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Janvier*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—the Petition of *Frederick B. Matthews*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Hearn,—The Petition of the Honorable *I. Thibault* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Honorable *I. Thibault* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the conclusions of the Petition of *Weston Hunt* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, that the Corporation of *Quebec* be replaced by three Commissioners, be not granted.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Charles De Salaberry*, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for a grant of land in consideration of the services rendered by the late Lieutenant-Colonel *Charles De Salaberry*, during the war of 1812.

Of *Pierre Frigon* and others, of the Village of *Côte St. Louis*, County of *Hoche-laga*; praying that certain powers respecting unlicensed carters be granted to the Municipal Council of the said Village.

Of *J. B. Pruneau* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Roch de Québec*, *Charlesbourg* and *Beauport*; praying that the Act 29th and 30th *Victoria*, Chapter 108, granting to *William John Bickell*, Esquire, the privilege of constructing a bridge over the River *St. Charles*, be amended.

Of *John Scriver* and others, of the District of *Beauharnois*; praying that the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads may become law.

Of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde pour la régie de l'Hospice de la Maternité de Montreal*,—and of *Les Dames Religieuses de Notre-Dame de Charité du Bon Pasteur, Montreal*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Stanford*, County of *Arthabaska*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Hébertville de Chicoutimi*; praying for the completion of the *Kinogami* Road, the opening of the *Alma* Road, and the survey of certain lands in the County of *Chicoutimi*.

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have considered the following Bills, and to each they have made several amendments, which they submit for the concurrence of Your Honorable House:

Bill, to revive the Charter of the *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Railway, and to amend the same.

Bill, to incorporate the *Missisquoi* Junction Railway Company.

Bill, to amend the Act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders presented to the House the Sixteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *John Platt*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying to be declared the sole and absolute proprietor of certain property that he is possessed of under the Will of the late *John Platt*, and find that the requisite Notices have been given.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Return to an Address of the 10th instant, for the official correspondence and all other documents in relation to the fires which have occurred on the shores of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, in the *Gaspé* district, in 1867 and 1868, presented to the House the following Report:

Your Committee beg to recommend to Your Honorable House the adoption of the following Resolutions:

Resolved, 1st:—That the quorum of this Committee be reduced to five members.

Resolved, 2nd:—That Your Committee are of opinion that it would be useful and advantageous to increase their powers in order to authorize them to examine all that relates to fires which may have taken place in the woods in any section of the country; and also, all questions relating to the decrease or increase of the growth of forests.

Resolved, 3rd:—That Your Committee be authorized to report from time to time, to Your Honorable House, the result of their proceedings.

Ordered, That Mr. *Church* have leave to bring in a Bill to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain real estate possessed by him under the Will of the late *John Platt*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the late Parliament of *Canada*, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to amend the Act incorporating the St. Patrick's Hall Association of *Montreal*, and that Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—General Report of the Prison Inspectors for the Province of *Quebec*, for the year 1868. (Sessional Papers, No. 23.)

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by "The Society of the *Montreal* General Hospital."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to revive and amend an Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Hydraulic and Dock Company, and that Mr. *Ogilvie* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend chapter 19 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of Burying Grounds held by Religious Congregations.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortin* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the hiring of Fishermen and the recovery of their wages.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Infant School Association," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

A Bill further to amend the Game Laws of this Province, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads, being read;

Mr. *Benoit* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scriver*, and the Question being put, That the Report be now received; the House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. *Benoit* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Mr. *Benoit* moved, seconded by Mr. *Scriver*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow; the House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the representation of the people in the Legislative Assembly, and to change the limits of the Counties of *Chateauguy* and *Napierville*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Benoit*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, Mr. *Laberge*, Mr. *Scriver*, Mr. *Fortin*, Mr. *Picard*, and Mr. *Bellerose*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to regulate the measurement of Saw Logs, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to repeal chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, relating to the destruction of Wolves."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called *Le Cercle de Québec*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Protestant Institution for Deaf-Mutes and for the Blind."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Association called the *Association St. Pierre de Sorel*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, Chapter 30."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul* of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature."

Bill, intituled: "An Act for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province."

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered, That the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the English version of the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul* of *Montreal*," and the same was read as follows:

Page 2, Section 3, Line 9, strike out the word "increase" and insert the word "exercised."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses in certain cases for the purposes of the Legislature," and the same were read as follows:

Page 1, Line 3, leave out the word "Select."

Page 1, Lines 4, 5 and 6, leave out the words "to which any Private Bill has been referred by either of these Houses respectively," and insert the words "sitting in the exercise of its functions."

Page 1, Line 7, leave out the words "such Bill" and insert the words "the business, then before it."

Page 1, Line 15, leave out the words "the Bill entitled: (here insert the title) and which Bill has been referred to this Committee," and insert the words "here state the matter then before the Committee."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province," and the same were read as follows:

The fourth paragraph of the third section is struck out, and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

"4. Nothing in the present section contained shall apply to any Member of the Legislative Council holding any office, commission or employment under an appointment made previously to the passing of this Act; nor until the next General Election, to any Member of the Legislative Assembly holding any office, commission or employment under an appointment made previously to the passing of this Act."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting grants to Colonization Societies.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1st. That for the space of three years an annual sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars for each electoral division, be granted to Her Majesty for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies in this Province, and that every county united to another county for electoral purposes be considered as forming by itself an electoral division for this object.

2nd. That every Colonization Society, within three months next after the official notice of the establishment thereof, shall transmit to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works a certificate attested under oath by the president or vice-president and the secretary-treasurer thereof, declaring that there has been paid for the objects of the Society, into the hands of the secretary-treasurer, a sum of at least one hundred dollars, and the Commissioner shall then pay to the Society an amount equal to such sum, not however to exceed three hundred dollars if such Society is the first formed in the electoral division, and a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars if it be the second or third; and that in no case shall any Society receive for any amount in excess of three hundred dollars more than half the sum which shall have been subscribed and paid by the members above that sum; but that if only one society has been formed, the balance which would have been granted to the other two Societies may be paid over to it; and in the same manner, that if only two Societies have been formed the balance to which the third would have been entitled may be divided between them, provided that such last mentioned Societies have subscribed and paid in the amount required, and that in the case of the first Society formed not having subscribed a sufficient amount to entitle it to receive the

total sum coming to it, the other Societies may divide the balance between them, provided they have subscribed the amount required.

3rd. That every Society established in an electoral division shall transmit each year a certificate attested under oath of the sums paid by the members thereof, which must amount in the whole to at least one hundred dollars, and after the first year of the establishment of a Society the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works may proportion the subsidy to the results obtained, provided always that no Society be paid any sum larger than that which is subscribed and paid into the hands of the secretary-treasurer for the year, to the amount of three hundred dollars, and not more than one half of any amount in excess of that sum; and provided also, that not more than six hundred dollars in one and the same year be divided among the several Societies of one and the same electoral division.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Church reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Church reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follows:

1st. That for the space of three years an annual sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars for each electoral division, be granted to Her Majesty for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies in this Province, and that every county united to another county for electoral purposes be considered as forming by itself an electoral division for this object.

2nd. That every Colonization Society, within three months next after the official notice of the establishment thereof, shall transmit to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works a certificate attested under oath by the president or vice-president and the secretary-treasurer thereof, declaring that there has been paid for the objects of the Society, into the hands of the secretary-treasurer, a sum of at least one hundred dollars, and the Commissioner shall then pay to the Society an amount equal to such sum, not however to exceed three hundred dollars if such Society is the first formed in the electoral division, and a sum not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars if it be the second or third; and that in no case shall any Society receive for any amount in excess of three hundred dollars more than half the sum which shall have been subscribed and paid by the members above that sum; but that if only one Society has been formed, the balance which would have been granted to the other two Societies may be paid over to it; and in the same manner, that if only two Societies have been formed the balance to which the third would have been entitled may be divided between them, provided that such last mentioned Societies have subscribed and paid in the amount required, and that in the case of the first Society formed not having subscribed a sufficient amount to entitle it to receive the total sum coming to it, the other Societies may divide the balance between them, provided they have subscribed the amount required.

3rd. That every Society established in an electoral division shall transmit each year a certificate attested under oath of the sums paid by the members thereof, which must amount in the whole to at least one hundred dollars, and after the first year of the establishment of a Society the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works may proportion the subsidy to the results obtained, provided always that no Society be paid any sum larger than that which is subscribed and paid into the hands of the secretary-treasurer for the year, to the amount of three hundred dollars, and not more than one half of any amount in excess of that sum; and provided also, that not more than six hundred dollars in one and the same year be divided among the several Societies of one and the same electoral division.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies, and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

A Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands," was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the following amendment was made to the Bill:

Section 18, leave out from "Notaries," inclusive to the word "Witness," and insert the words "Notary," in accordance with the formalities prescribed in Article 1208 of the "Civil Code."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to incorporate the *Maganacippi* River Improvement Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, respecting the St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "The St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company Act, 1869."

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Railways; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robertson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Robertson* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend chapter seventy-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Rhéaume* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, also the Act 27th and 28th Victoria, Chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting Registration, Registry Offices, and the Books and Registers kept in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The House then adjourned, till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 16th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Clément*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. N. Gingras* and others, of *Baie St. Paul*.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Antoine Campeau* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *Antoine Campeau* and others, of the County of *Bellechasse*, presented this day, be now received and read ;

And the said Petition was received and read ; praying for amendments to the Act of incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, of a nature to limit its powers respecting the taxation of Markets.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, seconded by Mr. *Tremblay*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee to which was referred the Return to an Address of the 10th instant, for the official correspondence and other documents in relation to the fires which occurred on the Shores of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, in the *Gaspé* District, in 1867 and 1868.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John Davidson* and others, of the City and Suburbs of *Quebec* ; praying that a bread and wood Inspector be appointed in the said City, be referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to amend Chapter Seventy-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the term of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House, on the Bill for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies ;

Mr. *Verreault* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the administration of oaths to witnesses in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature," being read ;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the amendment, made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act for securing the independence of the Legislature of this Province," being read ;

The said amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars and ninety cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Rents, Insurances, Repairs, &c., of Public Buildings, generally; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Inspections and Surveys of Public Works and Buildings; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing Buildings already erected for the Reformatory, *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of repairing and altering heating apparatus, *Montreal Court House*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray the rents of Court Houses and Gaols, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand nine hundred and fifty-four dollars and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray Insurances of Court Houses and Gaols; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding ten thousand five hundred and thirty-seven dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray the expenses of repairs of Court Houses and Gaols; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Ottawa*.) to defray the expenses of re-constructing and furnishing *Aylmer Court House* and Gaol; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Montreal*.) to defray the expenses of the *Montreal Gaol*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Gaspé*.) to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for the Court-House and Gaol in the County of *Bonaventure*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Gaspé*.) to defray the expenses of the Court-House and Gaol in the County of *Gaspé*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eighteen thousand one hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Quebec*.) to defray the expenses of completing wall around buildings, and for alterations and repairs, recommended by Prison Inspectors, to *Quebec new Gaol*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *St. Francis*.) to defray the expenses of completing wall around buildings, on out-buildings and alterations, to *Sherbrooke new Gaol*; for the eighteen months ending 30 June, 1870.

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : " An act to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain of Rimouski*."

Bill, intituled : " An act to incorporate *La maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*."

Bill, intituled : " An act to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals."

And then he withdrew.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec* ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair ; and Mr. *Brigham* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the English version of the Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of *Montreal*," being read ;

The said amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Infant School Association ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Pelletier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to revive the Charter of the *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Counties Railway, and to amend the same, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Missisquoi* Junction Railway Company, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Committee of Supply was again resumed.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding nine hundred and forty-five dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Terrebonne*.) to defray the expenses of fitting up and furnishing the *Ste. Scholastique* Court House and Gaol ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned.) to defray the expenses of Court House and Gaols, new districts, (for walls around the same) ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and thirteen thousand

four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Beauport Lunatic Asylum*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty-two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. John's Lunatic Asylum*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the St. Patrick's Hospital, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand one hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Providence*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the St. Vincent de Paul Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the House of Refuge, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Magdalen Asylum (*Bon Pasteur*), *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Charité*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Bonaventure Street Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Nazareth Asylum for the Blind and for Destitute Children, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the St. Bridget's Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice de Bethlem*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Charitable Ladies' Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice de la Maternité*, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies Protestant Home, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Finlay Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to St. Bridget's Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Canada Military Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the "*Dispensaire*," *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the General Hospital, *Sorel*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Hyacinthe* Hospital, *St. Hyacinthe*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice Youville, St. Benoit*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Asile de la Providence, Côteau du Lac*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice St. Joseph, Beauharnots*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Asile de la Providence, Mascouche*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the following institutions, viz: to the Hospital St. Johns, \$200.00; to the Hospice la Jemmenais, *Varenes*, \$200.00; to the *Hospice de Laprairie*, \$200.00; to the *Hospice des Sœurs de la Providence de St. Vincent de Paul, comté de Laval*, \$200.00; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fourteen thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, if obtained on account of the Province from the Government of the Dominion, but not otherwise, as an aid to the following institutions, viz: to the corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*, the sum of \$2000.00; to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*, the sum of \$1500.00; to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*, the sum of \$1600.00; to the St. Patrick's Hospital, *Montreal*, the sum of \$800.00; to *Les Sœurs de la Providence, Montreal*, the sum of \$560.00; to the *St. Vincent de Paul Asylum, Montreal*, the sum of \$215.00; to the House of Refuge, *Montreal*, the sum of \$240.00; to St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$320.00; to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Magdalen Asylum (Bon Pasteur), *Montreal*, the sum of \$180.00; to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to *Les Sœurs de la Charité, Montreal*, the sum of \$400.00; to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$320.00; to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde, Montreal*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Bonaventure Street Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$215.00; to the Nazareth Asylum for the Blind, and for destitute children, *Montreal*, the sum of \$215.00; to the Dispensary, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*, the sum of \$1600.00; to the Charitable Ladies' Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*, the sum of \$320.00; to the *Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Finlay Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the St. Bridget's Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Canada Military Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$80.00; to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*, the sum of \$1120.00; to the General Hospital, *Sorel*, the sum of \$150.00; and to the St. Hyacinthe Hospital, *St. Hyacinthe*, the sum of \$160.00; for the six months ending 30th June, 1867.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 30th June 1868, remaining unpaid on 31st December 1868, and therefore written off.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*; also, the Act 27th and 28th Victoria, Chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting Registration, Registry Offices, and the Books and Registers kept in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Marchand* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads, being read;

Mr. *Joly* moved, seconded by Mr. *Senécal*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

And the Question being put, That the Bill do pass; and the title be, "An Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads," the House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the *Cadastrés* made under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act and the new titles subsequent to the said *Cadastrés*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Gaudet*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Desautniers* (*St. Maurice*), Mr. *Desautniers* (*Maskinonge*), and Mr. *Moll*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow

Wednesday, 17th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the united Townships of *Egan* and *Kensington*, County of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *Joseph Roy* and others, of *l'Acadie*, County of *St. Jean*.

By Mr. *Scriver*,—The Petition of *D. Baker* and others, of the Township of *Dundee*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Board of Trade, of the City of *Quebec* ; for amendments to the amendments prayed for to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*.

Of the Council of the Board of Trade, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying that the Bill authorizing the construction of a bridge over the River *Ottawa*, on the north side of the Island of *Montreal*, be amended.

Of the Reverend *J. A. Baile* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for the establishment of Houses of Reform and Industry in this Province.

Of *Frederick B. Matthews*, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying that the Bill intitled : " An Act to incorporate the *St. Louis Hydraulic Company*," do not pass.

Of *Antoine Ruel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Lévis*,—and of *Narcisse Roy* and others, of the Township of *Hereford*, County of *Compton* ; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*,—of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Anne des Plaines*,—of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*,—of the Municipality of the Village of *St. Jérôme*,—of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*,—of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Janvier*,—of the Reverend *L. A. Dequoy* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*,—and of the Reverend *A. Giguère* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*, all in the County of *Terrebonne* ; severally praying for a free grant of land for the construction of the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway*, and other purposes.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend sub-section seven of section thirty-five, Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House ; and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Mr. *Tremblay* moved, seconded by Mr. *Pozer*, and the Question being proposed, That it be

Resolved: 1o. As the opinion of this House that the use of the Library of the Department of Public Instruction would be very beneficial to it, inasmuch as the numerous collections of historical, scientific and other works respecting education, would provide the Members with the means of making a special study of various subjects relating either to politics so-called, or to education, respecting which a Bill may be probably introduced at a future Session.

2o. That with a view of securing this advantage, and of limiting the expense in acquiring a Provincial Library, this House deems it its duty to express its desire that it would be advisable to transfer the Department of Public Works from the Parliamentary buildings to those occupied by the Department of the Secretary of the Province and the Department of Public Instruction, and that the latter departments be transferred to the apartments now occupied by the Public Works, and that the Library of Public Instruction be placed in the room at present partly occupied by the Library of Parliament, and the use of these two united libraries be allowed to the Members of both Houses and to the Clerks of Public Instruction ;

And a Debate arising thereupon, and the Question being put ; the House divided : and it passed in the Negative.

On motion of Mr. *Beaubien*, seconded by Mr. *Church*,

Ordered, That 1300 Copies of the Pamphlet intitled : " *Earth Sewage vs. Water Sewage* " be printed in each of the English and French languages, for the use of the Members of this House.

A Bill, to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Church reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time; to-morrow.

A Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Montreal Infant School Association," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Missisquoi Junction Railway Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Marchand reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

A Bill, respecting Railways, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, the Bill was amended by leaving out the eighth sub-section of the seventh section thereof, and substituting the following:

"8. To make Branch Railways and to manage the same, and for that purpose to exercise all the powers, privileges and authorities necessary therefor in as full and ample a manner as for the Railway, provided that the sanction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council be first obtained for the construction of such Branch, and that no such Branch exceed ten miles in length."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to provide for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to annex the range of *Ste. Julie*, in the Parish of *St. Marcel*, to the County of *Richelieu*, for judicial, municipal, educational, electoral and registration purposes, being read;

Mr. *Beaudreau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Gendron* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; The House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be read a second time, this day six months.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain real estate belonging to the estate of the late *Angus Macdonald*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to empower the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre-Dame de Montréal*, to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre-Dame des Neiges*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Joint Stock Companies General Clauses Act."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Joint Stock Company Incorporation Act."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec Railway Company*."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries," and the same was read, as follows :

In the fifth paragraph of the fifth section, after the word "Court" add the words "the Clerk, Treasurer, and other Municipal Officers of the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*," and the same were read, as follows :

Page 1, line 36, leave out the words "The Railway Act" and insert the words "The *Quebec Railway Act* (1869) passed during the present Session."

Page 2, line 8, after the word "any" insert the words "non-navigable."

Page 2, lines 15 and 16, leave out the words "the eighty-first section of the *Railway Act*," and insert the words "sub-section eighteen of section seven of the said *Quebec Railway Act*, 1869."

Page 2, line 41, leave out the words "the *Railway Act*" and insert the words "The said *Quebec Railway Act*, 1869."

Page 3, lines 25 and 26, leave out the words "the *Railway Act*," and insert the words "the said *Quebec Railway Act*, 1869."

Page 3, line 28, leave out the word "nine" and insert the word "five."

Page 4, line 23, leave out the word "twelve" and insert the word "fourteen."

Page 6, strike out the twenty-fourth section.

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec Railway Company*," and the same were read, as follows :

Page 2, line 9, after "1869" insert the words "passed during the present Session."

Page 3, line 24, after the word "the" where it occurs for the second time, insert the word "said."

Page 5, line 33, after the word "the" insert the word "said."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 18th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Locke,—The Petition of *C. A. Richardson* and others, of the County of *Stanstead*.

By Mr. Dugas,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. Coutu* and others, of the Townships of *Rausdon* and *Chertsey*, County of *Montcalm*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of *La Maison de la Miséricorde* of *Montreal*, Fullum Street.

By Mr. Verreault,—The Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *L'Islet*.

By Mr. Tremblay,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Roberval*.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of the Citizens' Association of *Montreal*,—the Petition of the *Montreal* Temperance Society,—the Petition of *Théodore Hart* and others, Proprietors of Real Estate in the City of *Montreal*,—the Petition of the Reverend *H. F. Darnell* and others, the Clergy and Laity of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Montreal*.—the Petition of *George Giddings* and others, of the County of *Brome*,—and the Petition of *A. S. Williams* and others, of the County of *Shefford*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *Etienne Dussault* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, Stevedores.

By Mr. Chapleau,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *New Glasgow*,—the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Terrebonne*,—the Petition of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*,—the Petition of the Reverend *T. Dagenais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *George Laporte* and others, of the Parish of *St. Lin*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Citizens' Association of *Montreal*,—the Petition of the *Montreal* Temperance Society,—and the Petition of *Théodore Hart* and others, Proprietors of Real Estate in the City of *Montreal*, presented this day, be now received and read;

And the said Petitions were received and read; severally praying that certain proposed amendments to the Acts of Incorporation of the City of *Montreal*, may not become law.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Reverend *H. F. Darnell* and others, the Clergy and Laity of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, in the Diocese of *Montreal*, presented this day, be now received and read;

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act giving the Dean of the United Church of *England* and *Ireland*, of *Montreal*, all the powers of a Bishop until such time as a Bishop be appointed to the See of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*; praying that the seventh section of the Act 12th *Victoria*, Chapter 136, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Archbishop and Bishops in all Dioceses, in *Lower Canada*," be applicable to all the new Dioceses.

Of the Reverend *J. N. Gingras* and others, of *Bay St. Paul*; praying aid for the erection of a Quay in the harbour of *Bay St. Paul*.

Mr. Hemming, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Chambly Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company*, referred to them, and have agreed to report the same, without amendment.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Sixteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by the "Society of the *Montreal General Hospital*," and now have to report it, without amendment.

Your Committee have also examined the Bill to incorporate the *St. Francis and Yamaska Rivers improvement and deepening Company*, and have made several amendments thereto, which are submitted to the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That Mr. Dumoulin have leave to bring in a Bill to allow moveables to be hypothecated in certain cases.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Montreal Sailors' Institute*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill, to amend the Act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Bellerose reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty thousand six hundred and thirty-five dollars and ninety cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Rents, Insurances, Repairs, &c., of Public Buildings, generally; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Inspections and Surveys of Public Works and Buildings; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty-one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing Buildings already erected for the Reformatory, *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of repairing and altering heating apparatus, *Montreal Court House*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray the rents of Court Houses and Gaols; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand nine hundred and fifty-four dollars and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray Insurance of Court Houses and Gaols; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding ten thousand five hundred and thirty-seven dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray the expenses of repairs of Court Houses and Gaols; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to Building and Jury Fund for the district of

Ottawa.) to defray the expenses of re-constructing and furnishing *Aylmer* Court House and Gaol; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Montreal*.) to defray the expenses of the *Montreal* Gaol; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Gaspé*.) to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for the Court House and Gaol in the County of *Bonaventure*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Gaspé*.) to defray the expenses of the Court House and Gaol in the County of *Gaspé*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eighteen thousand one hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Quebec*.) to defray the expenses of completing wall around buildings, and for alterations and repairs, recommended by Prison Inspectors, to *Quebec* new Gaol; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *St. Francis*.) to defray the expenses of completing wall around buildings, on out-buildings and alterations, to *Sherbrooke* new Gaol; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding nine hundred and forty-five dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for the district of *Terrebonne*.) to defray the expenses of fitting up and finishing the *Ste. Scholastique* Court House and Gaol; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned,) to defray the expenses of Court House and Gaols, new districts, (for walls around the same); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870,

16. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and thirteen thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty-two thousand dollars be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. John's* Lunatic Asylum; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand one hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Providence*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the St. Vincent de Paul Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the House of Refuge, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Magdalen Asylum (*Bon Pasteur*), *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Charité*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Bonaventure Street Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Nazareth Asylum for the Blind and for Destitute Children, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the St. Bridget's Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice de Bethléem*, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Charitable Ladies' Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies Protestant Home, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Finlay Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to St. Bridget's Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Canada Military Asylum, *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the "*Dispensaire*," *Quebec*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the General Hospital, *Sorel*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the St. Hyacinthe Hospital, *St. Hyacinthe*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice Youville, St. Benoit*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Asile de la Providence, Côteau du Luc*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice St. Joseph, Beauharnois*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Hospice Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Asile de la Providence, Mascouche*; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the following institutions, viz: to the Hospital St. Johns, \$200.00; to the Hospice la Jemmenais, *Varennes*, \$200.00; to the *Hospice de Laprairie*, \$200.00; to the *Hospice des Sœurs de la Providence de St. Vincent de Paul, comté de Laval*, \$200.00; for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1869.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fourteen thousand three hundred and seventy-five dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, if obtained on account of the Province from the Government of the Dominion, but not otherwise, as an aid to the

following institutions, viz: to the corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*, the sum of \$2000.00; to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*, the sum of \$1500.00; to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*, the sum of \$1600.00; to the St. Patrick's Hospital, *Montreal*, the sum of \$800.00; to *Les Sœurs de la Providence*, *Montreal*, the sum of \$560.00; to the St. Vincent de Paul Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$215.00; to the House of Refuge, *Montreal*, the sum of \$240.00; to St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$320.00; to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Magdalen Asylum (Bon Pasteur), *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to *Les Sœurs de la Charité*, *Montreal*, the sum of \$400.00; to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$320.00; to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde*, *Montreal*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Bonaventure Street Asylum, *Montreal*, the sum of \$215.00; to the Nazareth Asylum for the Blind, and for destitute children, *Montreal*, the sum of \$215.00; to the Dispensary, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*, the sum of \$1600.00; to the Charitable Ladies' Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*, the sum of \$320.00; to the *Hospice de la Maternité*, *Quebec*, the sum of \$240.00; to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Finlay Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the St. Bridget's Asylum, *Quebec*, the sum of \$160.00; to the *Canada Military Asylum*, *Quebec*, the sum of \$80.00; to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*, the sum of \$1120.00; to the General Hospital, *Sorel*, the sum of \$150.00; and to the St. Hyacinthe Hospital, *St. Hyacinthe*, the sum of \$160.00; for the six months ending 30th June, 1867.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the twelve months ending 30th June, 1868, remaining unpaid on 31st December, 1868, and therefore written off.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time;—and the first to the fifteenth Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

And the sixteenth and seventeenth Resolutions being read a second time;

Ordered, That the further consideration of the said Resolutions be postponed, till to-morrow.

The eighteenth to the sixty-first Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the "*Société Bienveillante de St. Jean-Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis*," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to explain Chapter twenty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Ordered, That the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to explain Chapter twenty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Houses of Reform and Industry.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Resolved, That when this House doth adjourn to-morrow, it do stand adjourned until Saturday, at 11 o'clock, A. M., and that on and from Monday next, during the remainder of the Session, there shall be two distinct sittings on each day, except on Saturday; the first to begin at three o'clock P. M., and end at six o'clock, P. M.; the second to begin at half-past seven o'clock, P. M., and continue until the adjournment.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries," being read;

The said amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting District Magistrates in this Province, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Joly* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill, to incorporate the *Missisquoi Junction Railway Company*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec Railway Company*," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

And the Debate on the amendment to the Question, That the Bill respecting District Magistrates in this Province be now read a second time; and which amend-

ment was, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof, having been resumed;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:

YEAS:

Messieurs

*Bachand,
Benoit,
Joly,*

*Laberge,
Marchand,*

*Pozer,
Robert,*

*Sénécal and
Tremblay.—9*

NAYS:

Messieurs

*Beaudreau,
Beaubien,
Bellerose,
Bergevin,
Bessette,
Blais,
Carter,
Cauchon,
Chapleau,
Chauveau,
Church,
Clément,*

*Coutlée,
Craig,
De Lotbinière Har-
wood,
Desaulniers (Maski-
nongé),
Desaulniers (St.
Maurice),
Dugas,
Dumoulin,
Dunkin,
Fortin,*

*Gaudet,
Gendron,
Hamilton,
Hemming,
Irvine, (Solicitor-
General),
Jodoin,
Langevin,
LaRue,
Lavallée,
LeCavalier,
Mathieu,*

*Moll,
Ouiné (Attorney-
General),
Pelletier,
Picard,
Rhéaume,
Robertson,
Ross,
Roy,
Scriven,
Thérien and
Verreault.—43.*

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend Chapter 19 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of burying grounds held by Religious Congregations, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Ordered, That the Order of this House, of the 24th February last, referring the Bill to amend an Act intituled: "An Act respecting the Bureau of Agriculture and Agricultural Societies," to the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization, be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works."

On motion of Mr. *Rhéaume*, seconded by Mr. *Verreault*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Return of the Treasurer of the North Shore Turnpike Trust, shewing the receipts from the

Dorchester Bridge, as well as the Revenues and Expenses of each Road under the control of the Turnpike Road Commissioners, during the years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868; together with the Expenses incurred in maintaining and improving the same, during the last three years, specifying the amount for each year.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Friday, 19th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Robertson*,—The Petition of *Charles Brooks* and others, of the Township of *Ascot*.

By Mr. *Hemming*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Tingwick*, County of *Arthabaska*.

By Mr. *Dugas*,—The Petition of *Joseph Beaudry* and others, of the Township of *Kilkenny*, County of *Montcalm*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Village of *Buckingham*, County of *Ottawa*; and the Petition of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of Messrs. *Allan, Gilmour* and Company and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of the Reverend *D. J. Ramsay* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Municipality of the United Townships of *Egan* and *Kensington*, County of *Compton*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of *Joseph Roy* and others, of *L'Acadie*, County of *St. Jean*,—and of *D. Baker* and others, of the Township of *Dundee*; severally praying that the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads may become law.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend 27th *Victoria*, chapter 17, relating to Life Assurances, reported the same, with several amendments.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg to report to this Honorable House, with regard to the Bill to amend the 20th *Victoria*, chapter 149, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company," which has been referred to Your Committee, that there this day appeared before them, Mr. *Dumoulin*, the Promoter of the said Bill, who begged leave to withdraw the same, which was granted to him.

Your Committee beg further to recommend to Your Honorable House, that the fee of one hundred dollars, which the Honorable Member for *Three Rivers* has paid into the hands of the Clerk of Private Bills, on account of the said Bill, be returned to him; and further, that he be reimbursed his printing expenses.

Ordered, That the Petition of Messrs. *Allan, Gilmour & Company* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, presented this day, be now received and read;

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the Bill to incorporate the Stevedores' Benevolent Society of *Quebec*, may not become law.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered, That the fee imposed on the Bill to amend the Act 20th *Victoria*, Chapter 149, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company," be remitted.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to explain the seventh section of the Act Twelfth *Victoria*, Chapter one hundred and thirty-six, respecting the incorporation of the Roman Catholic Bishops of this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens, for the time being, of St. George's Church, in the City of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain real Estate, to the said Church belonging.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring, in a Bill to amend Chapter 71 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, to-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal* City Passenger Railway Company, of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Carter*, seconded by Mr. *Church*,

Resolved, That the delay of five days, required by a Resolution of this House, of the 5th of March instant, be reduced to three days, to enable the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, to take into consideration the following Bills:

No. 99, An Act to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens for the time being of St. George's Church in the city of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate to said Church belonging; and No. 107 to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* City Passenger Railway Company of *Montreal*.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Laws respecting Education in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled: "An Act respecting the sale and management of the Public Lands," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Act respecting the Notarial Profession," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession, be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The House resumed the further consideration of the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply.

And the sixteenth and seventeenth Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *LeCavalier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *LeCavalier* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, to-morrow.

And it being six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

Mr. Speaker, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library of Parliament, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

The report of the Committee on the Library humbly represents:—

That the Library of the Legislature, which in the second year of its existence possesses several thousand volumes, is daily resorted to by a large number of persons;

That the new purchases of Books, which are shortly to be made, will be a new source of attraction for the public;

That as there will therefore be need of special superintendence, and as many messages will be occasioned, it will be impossible for the Librarian to manage his department thoroughly without the assistance of a messenger;

That being obliged to have recourse to the messengers of the different offices, occasions always inconvenience;

That it is therefore necessary that a permanent messenger be attached to the Library, and that it is the wish of the Librarian that the sessional messenger, who is able both to read and write, and discharges his duties satisfactorily, be, by this Honorable House, appointed permanently;

Your Committee therefore recommend the appointment of a permanent messenger for the Library.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to revive the Charter of the *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Counties Railway, and to amend the same; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Sénécal* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by "The *Montreal General Hospital*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Company for the improvement of the Rivers *St. Francis* and *Yamaska*, and for the deepening of the said Rivers, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Chambly* Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend chapter 19 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of burying grounds held by Religious Congregations; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Saturday, 20th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Sénécal*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Chartré* and others, of the Parish of *St. David*,—the Petition of the Reverend *L. Tourigny* and others, of the Parish of *Yamaska*,—and the Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Tessier* and others, of *St. Germain de Grantham*.

By Mr. *Bessette*,—The Petition of the Mining Companies of *Huntingdon* and *Ives*.

By Mr. *Pozzer*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Victor de Tring*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *C. A. Richardson* and others, of the County of *Stanstead*; praying that the Bill of the Legislative Council respecting the Notarial Profession do not pass.

Of *Etienne Dussault* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, *Stevedores*; praying that the Bill to incorporate the "Benevolent Society of *Quebec Stevedores*," may not become Law.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *l'Islet*; praying that the conclusions of the Petition of *Joseph Sirois* and others, to annex a part of the Township of *Ashford* to the Parish of *St. Onésime*, be not granted.

Of "*La Maison de la Miséricorde*," of *Montreal*, Fullum Street; praying for an annual grant.

Of the Reverend *N. Coutu* and others, of the Township, of *Rawdon* and *Chertsey*, County of *Montcalm*—and of the Municipality of the Township of *Roberval*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *George Giddings* and others, of the County of *Brome*,—and of *S. A. Williams*

and others, of the County of *Shefford*; severally praying for a free grant of land and \$100,000 for the construction of the *Waterloo, Magog and Stanstead* Railway.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *New Glasgow*,—of the Municipal Council of the County of *Terrebonne*,—of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*,—of the Reverend *T. Dagenais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*,—and of the Reverend *George Laporte* and others, of the Parish of *St. Lin*; severally praying for a free grant of land for the construction of the *Montreal Northern Colonization* Railway, and for other purposes.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Seventeenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to authorize the sale of part of the immoveable property substituted by the will of the late Dame *Ann Jones*, widow of *Henry Corse*, and have made several amendments thereto, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Mr. *Gaudet* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill respecting the *Cadastres* made under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and the new titles subsequent to the said *Cadastres*, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortin* have leave to bring in a Bill to explain the Act sixteenth Victoria, Chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the Bill to incorporate the *Stevedores' Benevolent Society of Quebec*, may not become law.

A Bill, to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to incorporate the *Chambly Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dumoulin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to explain Chapter twenty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill to revive the Charter of the *Drummond and Arthabaska Counties* Railway, and to amend the same, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robertson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Robertson* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to incorporate the *Richelieu, Drummond and Arthabaska Counties Railway Company*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Company for the improvement of the Rivers *St. Francis* and *Yamaska*, and for the deepening of the said Rivers; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozar* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to reduce the Capital Stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company*, of the Township of *Cleveland*, Province of *Quebec*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Union St. Joseph de Sorel*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called The *Union St. Joseph of Notre-Dame of Hull*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the English Workingmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke, Eastern Townships and Kennebec Railway Company*," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke, Eastern Townships and Kennebec Railway Company*," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 1, line 34, after 1869, insert the words "passed during the present Session."

Page 3, line 11, after the word "the" insert the word "said."

Page 5, after the 16th Section insert the following to become the 17th Section: "The said *Sherbrooke Eastern Townships and Kennebec Railway Company*, or the Company which may be formed by the amalgamation with the *St. Francis Valley and Kennebec Railway Company* may also construct, make, and maintain a branch or branches of similar Railway, from such point or points on the main line as the Directors may judge the most expedient and advantageous, to be run either by horse or steam power, not exceeding twenty-five miles in length each, subject, however, to the previous consent of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and proclamation of such consent in the *Quebec Official Gazette*."

Page 5, the 17th Section to become the 18th Section.

Page 5, line 33, after the word "the" insert the word "said."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee,

to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting grants to be made to Colonization Railways.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. That it is expedient to encourage by Provincial aid, to the amount, in the manner and subject to the conditions and limitations in the following resolutions set forth the constructions in wood, and the maintenance and working of the following projected lines of Colonization Railway communication, namely:

The *Quebec and Gasford* Railway:

The *Lévis and Kennebec* Railway:

The *Montreal Northern Colonization* Railway, and

The *Richelieu Drummond and Arthabaska Counties* Railway.

2. That for such continuous and unbroken length, not less than fifteen miles, of each of the said Railways, as shall have been constructed in wood, and be in *bonâ fide* operation, on or before the first day of July, 1872, there shall be paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province,—by yearly payments to fall due on the first day of September in every one of twenty years next following the first of such payments, during which such length of railway shall be continuously maintained in *bonâ fide* operation, but not otherwise, nor for any longer term,—a subsidy at the rate of three per cent on the *bonâ fide* cost of the construction thereof; such cost however (unless for exceptional bridges) not to exceed the average amount of five thousand dollars per mile.

3. That in calculating such subsidy, any bridge over any river or stream exceeding fifty yards in breadth at high water, the reasonable and actual cost of which, at such site and of such plan, materials and construction, as shall have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall be shown to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to exceed five thousand dollars, shall be deemed an exceptional bridge; and shall be allowed for, not upon the length thereof, but at the exceptional rate of three per cent yearly on the established *bonâ fide* cost thereof, not exceeding however such total as in each case the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall expressly limit and allow as the reasonable and true value thereof for calculation of such subsidy.

4. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may from time to time provide as may be deemed expedient, for payment of any such subsidy, or of any part or amount thereof, to any parties claimant from the company primarily entitled thereto; and for assuring such payment, may issue any descriptions of conditional debentures, scrip or certificate, with or without *coupons* attached, payable to order or to bearer, and otherwise in such form, for such amounts, and subjects to all such provisions in respect thereof as shall be deemed to be in the public interest.

5. That whenever one continuous half of any such railway, or not less than twenty-five continuous miles of unbroken length thereof, shall have been completed and be in *bonâ fide* operation, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on demand to that effect from the company, may declare the half of the subsidy thereof to have become and to be thereafter converted into a subsidy payable, not on the condition above set forth of the continuous maintenance of the railway in *bonâ fide* operation, but on the terms and subject to the conditions following: and whenever the whole or not less than fifty continuous miles of unbroken length thereof shall have been completed and be in *bonâ fide* operation, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on like demand, may declare the whole of the subsidy thereof to have become and to be thereafter converted in like manner.

(a) Such conversion shall not, however, in either case, affect any portion of such subsidy represented by any still outstanding conditional debentures, scrip or certificates.

(b) Within such limits as to amount, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, for assuring payment of such converted subsidy to parties claimant from the Company primarily entitled thereto, may issue any descriptions of debentures, scrip or certificate, with or without *coupons* attached, payable to order or to bearer, and otherwise in such form, for such amounts, and subject to such provisions in respect thereof as shall be deemed to be in the public interest.

(c) Such debentures, scrip or certificates may in any case be issued,—as by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall be deemed to be most in the public interest,—either for assuring payment of the amount of such converted subsidy yearly, for the number of years required, or for assuring payment of interest, at six per cent yearly, on the value of such converted subsidy, capitalized at the same rate of six per cent, and made payable as regards capital in not less than twenty nor more than thirty years from date of capitalization; and shall be payable to all *bonâ fide* holders claimant from the Company, although not to the Company if still holding the same, notwithstanding any failure of the Company to maintain the railway in continuous *bonâ fide* operation throughout the full term of the subsidy.

(d) In case of issue of any such capitalized debentures, scrip or certificates, the Treasurer of the Province shall cause to be invested yearly, as a sinking fund for redemption thereof in public securities of the Dominion or of this Province, a sum equal to the difference between the amount of the yearly interest on such capitalized debentures, scrip, or certificates, and that of the converted subsidy represented thereby.

(e) Whenever any such debentures, scrip or certificates shall have been so issued, the Railway in question and all properties, appurtenances, and plant thereof, shall thereafter be subject to all such special inspection by the Railway Board, or otherwise, as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council from time to time may direct or authorise; and the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at any time order the company, within any reasonable specified delay, to make any repairs or do any other act which from such inspection shall be deemed necessary in order to the keeping of the Railway and the property, appurtenances and plant thereof, in a thorough state of efficiency, for the due operation thereof.

(f) If at any time the Company shall refuse to submit to such special inspection, or shall interpose or allow any obstruction thereto, or shall refuse or fail to do (within the reasonable delay specified) any such act required by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by reason thereof, or shall fail to maintain the railway in continuous *bonâ fide* operation throughout the full term of the subsidy, then, immediately upon and by virtue of the first payment thereafter made from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province, on account of any such outstanding debentures, scrip or certificates, the railway and all properties, appurtenances, and plant thereof, and all the franchises of the Company, shall *ipso facto* become and be vested in the Crown for the public uses of the Province, subject only to such trusts as shall have been or thereafter shall be legislatively declared or recognized in respect thereof; and, as so vested, the same shall thereafter be held, administered and (by sale or otherwise) disposed of by such public department or officer, and in such manner as shall have been or thereafter shall be legislatively designated to that end; and, as the first trust affecting the same, and in preference to every other, all proceeds thereof whatsoever as realized, shall be carried *pro tanto* to account of the Province, to or towards the discharge of such first payment aforesaid, and of all further payments on account of such outstanding debentures, scrip or certificates.

6. That in case of the amalgamation of the two projected Companies for construction of the railways known as "The Sherbrooke Eastern Townships and Kennebec Railway," and "The St. Francis Valley and Kennebec Railway," respectively, —or of the organization of only one of them,—or of the construction and putting

into operation by only one of them, within the year, of not less than fifteen continuous miles of railway,—it is expedient that such amalgamated Company, or such one Company, as may be, should also be encouraged by Provincial aid in terms of the foregoing resolutions; and that, otherwise, they should both be so encouraged, but only to the extent of a subsidy limited to the rate of one and a half instead of three per cent yearly.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the first sitting of the House, on Monday next.

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on Monday next, at its first sitting, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the hiring of Fishermen, and the recovery of their wages, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill, to explain the 11th section of the Act 27th *Victoria*, chapter 9, respecting the sale of Real Estate by Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Picard*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Lavallée*, Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*), Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Benoit*, Mr. *Bessette*, Mr. *Chapleau*, and Mr. *Moll*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Tingwick*, County of *Arthabaska*, presented yesterday, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act for the relief of the Municipality of the Townships of *Chénier* and *Tingwick*.

Ordered, That the said Petition be referred to the Select Committee on the Bill to explain the 11th section of the Act 27th *Victoria*, chapter 9, respecting the sale of Real Estate by Municipalities.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the 27th *Victoria*, chap. 26; intituled: "An Act to provide means of supplying the loss of the Public Records and documents, occasioned by the destruction by fire of the Gaol and Court House of the District of *Kamouraska*, and for securing the rights of interested parties," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee composed of Mr. *Bellerose*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Chapleau*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*), and Mr. *Rhéame*; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend sub-section seven, of section thirty-five, chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to the Select Committee on the Bill, to explain the 11th section of the Act 27th Victoria, chapter 9, respecting the sale of Real Estate by Municipalities.

And then the House adjourned, till Monday next.

Monday, 22nd March, 1869.

Three o'clock, P. M.,

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Ross,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Tingwick*.

By Mr. Beaudry,—The Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Sorel*.

By the Honorable Mr. Dunkin,—The Petition of the *Canada Marine Assurance Company*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Charles Brooks* and others, of the Township of *Ascot* ; praying amendment to the Bill respecting the Notarial Profession.

Of *Joseph Beaudry* and others, of the Township of *Kilkenny*, County of *Montcalm* ; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Municipality of the Village of *Buckingham*, County of *Ottawa* ; praying an indemnity for the bridge over the *River aux Lièvres*, in the County of *Ottawa*.

Of the Municipal Council of the County of *Ottawa* ; praying that the *cheftes* of the district of *Ottawa*, and the Registry Office for the County of *Ottawa*, be transferred from *Aylmer* to *Hull*.

Of His Grace the Archbishop of *Quebec*,—and of the Reverend *D. J. Ramsay* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; severally praying for the establishment of Houses of Reform and Industry in this Province.

Ordered, That the Petition of the *Canada Marine Assurance Company*, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read ; praying for the repeal of their Act of incorporation.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented, Return to an Address dated 18th February 1869 ; for the annual Returns from the undermentioned literary institutions, hospitals, and charities receiving grants voted by the Legislature, to wit :

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| School of Medicine, | Montreal. |
| Literary and Historical Society | Quebec. |
| Indigent Sick, | Montreal. |
| St. Patrick's Hospital, | do |
| House of Refuge, | do |
| Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, | do |
| Les Sœurs de la Charité, | do |
| The Protestant Orphan Asylum, | do |
| Dispensary, | do |
| Home and School of Industry, | do |
| Eye and Ear Institution, | do |
| Indigent Sick, | Quebec. |
| Catholic General Hospital, | St. Hyacinthe. |
| Marine and Emigrant Hospital, | Quebec. |
| Beauport Asylum, | do |
| St. John's Lunatic Asylum, | St. Johns. |

(Sessional Papers, No. 6)

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eighteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Act of the late Parliament of Canada, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities fund of the Presbyterian Church of Canada, in connection with the Church of Scotland " and beg to report it without amendment.

Your Committee have also examined the three following Bills, namely :

Bill, intituled : An Act to amend the Act incorporating " The St. Patrick's Association of Montreal."

Bill, intituled : An Act to incorporate " The Montreal Sailor's Institute," and

Bill, from the Council, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act incorporating the Montreal Protestant House of Industry and Refuge," and have made amendments to the same, which they submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal the Act incorporating the Canada Marine Insurance Company.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Chauveau have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the Municipality of the County of Rimouski into two separate Municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

A Bill, to incorporate the Company for the improvement of the Rivers St. Francis and Yamaska, and for the deepening of the said Rivers, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be : " An Act to incorporate the St. Francis and Yamaska Rivers Improvement and Deepening Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to amend the Act to incorporate the Chambly Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by " The Society of the Montreal General Hospital;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hemming reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Sherbrooke, Eastern Townships and Kennebec Railway Company," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the sale of part of the immoveable property substituted by the Will of the late Dame Ann Jones, widow of Henry Corse, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the second sitting of the House, this day.

On motion of Mr. Joly, seconded by Mr. Robertson,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a copy of any document or title, if such exists, creating or granting a Seigniority on the main land of the North shore of the Gulf of *St. Lawrence*, at or near *Mingan*; also, a copy of any report made in the Crown Land Department; or account submitted to the said Department or the Government, bearing upon the question of such grant or pretended grant of a Seigniority in the section of country referred to.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Ordered, That Mr. Carter have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Society of the *Montreal* Hospital for Sick Children.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. Marchand, seconded by Mr. Benoit,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a statement of all the arrears due by the Seigniorities belonging to the Government for *cens et rentes*, together with a statement of the amounts received by the Government Agents in the said Seigniorities since the 1st of July, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-seven.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. Carter, seconded by Mr. Ogilvie,

Resolved, That the Rules of this House, applicable to Private Bills, be suspended to allow the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills to take into consideration, without delay, the Bill to incorporate the Society of the *Montreal* Hospital for Sick Children.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend 29th Victoria, chapter 17, relating to Life Assurances; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Scriver reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the Holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Rhéaume reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, on Wednesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the hiring of Fishermen and the recovery of their Wages; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Moll reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Moll reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Cadastrés* made under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and the new titles subsequent to the said *Cadastrés*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Tremblay reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to divide into two divisions the second registration division of the County of *Rimouski*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and to remedy certain errors committed in the drawing up of the *Cadastrés* of certain Seigniories and notably in that of the Seignior of *Nicholas Rioux*, being read;

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And objection being taken, that the Bill is a Private one; Mr. Speaker decided, that this Bill falls under the operation of the 51st Rule of this House, and ought to have been brought in on a Petition.

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged, and that the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Chauveau,

Resolved, That a Select Committee of eight Members be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in framing Rules, Regulations, and Standing Orders for the government of this House, to report thereon from time to time; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, the Honorable Mr. Cauchon, the Honorable Mr. Langevin, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, Mr. Carter, Mr. Joly, and Mr. Simard do compose the said Committee.

Ordered, That the existing Rules of this House, be referred to the said Committee.

Mr. Bellerose reported, from the Committee of the Whole House, to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting grants to be made to Colonization Railways, several Resolutions, which were read, as follows:

1. That it is expedient to encourage by Provincial aid, to the amount, in the manner and subject to the conditions and limitations in the following resolutions set forth, the constructions in wood, and the maintenance and working of the following projected lines of Colonization Railway communication, namely:

The Quebec and Gosford Railway,

The Lévis and Kennebec Railway,

The Montreal Northern Colonization Railway, and

The Richelieu, Drummond and Arthabaska Counties Railway.

2. That for such continuous and unbroken length, not less than fifteen miles, of each of the said Railways, as shall have been constructed in wood, and be in *bonâ fide* operation, on or before the first day of July, 1872, there shall be paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province,—by yearly payments to fall due on the first day of September in every one of twenty years next following the first of such payments, during which such length of railway shall be continuously maintained in *bonâ fide* operation, but not otherwise, nor for any longer term,—a subsidy at the rate of three per cent on the *bonâ fide* cost of the construction thereof; such cost however

(unless for exceptional bridges) not to exceed the average amount of five thousand dollars per mile.

3. That in calculating such subsidy, any bridge over any river or stream exceeding fifty yards in breadth at high water, the reasonable and actual cost of which, at such site and of such plan, materials and construction, as shall have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall be shown to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to exceed five thousand dollars, shall be deemed an exceptional bridge; and shall be allowed for, not upon the length thereof, but at the exceptional rate of three per cent yearly on the established *bona fide* cost thereof, not exceeding however such total as in each case the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall expressly limit and allow as the reasonable and true value thereof for calculation of such subsidy.

4. That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may from time to time provide as may be deemed expedient, for payment of any such subsidy, or of any part or amount thereof, to any parties claimant from the company primarily entitled thereto; and for assuring such payment, may issue any descriptions of conditional debentures, scrip or certificate, with or without *coupons* attached, payable to order or to bearer, and otherwise in such form, for such amounts, and subject to all such provisions in respect thereof as shall be deemed to be in the public interest.

5. That whenever one continuous half of any railway, or not less than twenty-five continuous miles of unbroken length thereof, shall have been completed and be in *bona fide* operation, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on demand to that effect from the company, may declare the half of the subsidy thereof to have become and to be thereafter converted into a subsidy payable, not on the conditions above set forth of the continuous maintenance of the railway in *bona fide* operation, but on the terms and subject to the conditions following: and whenever the whole or not less than fifty continuous miles of unbroken length thereof shall have been completed and be in *bona fide* operation, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, on like demand, may declare the whole of the subsidy thereof to have become and to be thereafter converted in like manner.

(a) Such conversion shall not, however, in either case, affect any portion of such subsidy represented by any still outstanding conditional debentures, scrip or certificates.

(b) Within such limits as to amount, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, for assuring payment of such converted subsidy to parties claimant from the Company primarily entitled thereto, may issue any descriptions of debenture, scrip or certificate, with or without *coupons* attached, payable to order or to bearer, and otherwise in such form, for such amounts, and subject to such provisions in respect thereof as shall be deemed to be in the public interest.

(c) Such debentures, scrip or certificates may in any case be issued,—as by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall be deemed to be most in the public interest,—either for assuring payment of the amount of such converted subsidy yearly, for the number of years required, or for assuring payment of interest, at six per cent yearly, on the value of such converted subsidy, capitalized at the same rate of six per cent, and made payable as regards capital in not less than twenty nor more than thirty years from date of capitalization; and shall be payable to all *bona fide* holders claimant from the Company, although not to the Company if still holding the same, notwithstanding any failure of the Company to maintain the railway in continuous *bona fide* operation throughout the full term of the subsidy.

(d) In case of issue of any such capitalized debentures, scrip or certificates, the Treasurer of the Province shall cause to be invested yearly, as a sinking fund for redemption thereof in public securities of the Dominion or of this Province, a sum equal to the difference between the amount of the yearly interest on such capitalized debentures, scrip, or certificates, and that of the converted subsidy represented thereby.

(e) Whenever any such debentures, scrip or certificates shall have been so

issued, the Railway in question and all properties, appurtenances, and plant thereof, shall thereafter be subject to all such special inspection by the Railway Board, or otherwise, as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council from time to time may direct or authorise, as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may at any time order the Company, within any reasonable specified delay, to make any repairs or do any other act which from such inspection shall be deemed necessary in order to the keeping of the Railway and the property, appurtenances and plant thereof, in a thorough state of efficiency, for the due operation thereof.

(f) If at any time the Company shall refuse to submit to such special inspection, or shall interpose or allow any obstruction thereto, or shall refuse or fail to do (within the reasonable delay specified) any such act required by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council by reason thereof, or shall fail to maintain the railway in continuous *bona fide* operation throughout the full term of the subsidy, then, immediately upon, and by virtue of the first payment thereafter made from the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province, on account of any such outstanding debentures, scrip or certificates, the railway and all properties, appurtenances, and plant thereof, and all the franchises of the Company, shall *ipso facto* become and be vested in the Crown for the public uses of the Province, subject only to such trusts as shall have been or thereafter shall be legislatively declared or recognized in respect thereof; and, as so vested, the same shall thereafter be held, administered and (by sale or otherwise) disposed of, by such public department or offices, and in such manner as shall have been or thereafter shall be legislatively designated to that end; and, as the first trust affecting the same, and in preference to every other, all proceeds thereof whatsoever as realized, shall be carried *pro tanto* to account of the Province, to or towards the discharge of such first payment aforesaid, and of all further payments on account of such outstanding debentures, scrip or certificates.

6. That in case of the amalgamation of the two projected Companies for construction of the Railways known as "The Sherbrooke, Eastern Townships and Kennebec Railway," and "The St. Francis Valley and Kennebec Railway," respectively,—or of the organization of only one of them,—or of the construction and putting into operation by only one of them, within the year, of not less than fifteen continuous miles of Railway,—it is expedient that such amalgamated Company, or such one Company, as may be, should also be encouraged by Provincial aid in terms of the foregoing resolutions; and that, otherwise, they should both be so encouraged, but only to the extent of a subsidy limited to the rate of one and a half instead of three per cent yearly.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and sixty-one thousand nine hundred and fourteen dollars and fifty-four cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Administration of Justice; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Subsidy to Colonization Railways (covering statutory appropriations); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Registration service; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand four hundred and ninety-two dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the *Quebec Official Gazette*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an allowance for Lieutenant-Governor's Residence; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Arbitration under Constitutional Act; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet retiring allowances if found advisable; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of enforcement of Game Laws; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous services; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Surveys, (covering statutory appropriations); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eighty-six thousand five hundred and eight dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray general expenditure by Crown Lands Department, (including Jesuit's Estates, Clergy Lands, Crown Domain, Seignior of Lauzon, and Woods and Forests); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty-six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray charges on Stamps, Licenses, &c., (covering statutory appropriations); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous expenses, (covering General Inspection, statutory appropriations, &c.); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand four hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray past over expenditure under special warrants and on Registration service; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, at its first sitting, to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to explain Chapter twenty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

And it being six o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past seven o'clock P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Mining Companies of *Huntingdon* and *Ives*; praying to be included in the list of companies receiving aid for wooden Railways.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Victor de Tring*; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Chartré* and others, of the Parish of *St. David*,—of the Reverend *L. Tourigny* and others, of the Parish of *Yamaska*,—and of the Reverend *Jos. Tessier* and others of *St. Germain de Grantham*; severally praying that the Rivers *St. Francis* and *Yamaska* be improved by the Government, and in default of their so doing, that certain powers may be granted to a company which would undertake to make such improvements.

A Bill, to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by "The Society of the *Montreal* General Hospital," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the sale of part of the immoveable property substituted by the will of the late Dame *Ann Jones*, widow of *Henry Corse*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinonge)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of the late Parliament of *Canada*, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the St. Patrick's Hall Association of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dumoulin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Sailor's Institute, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

A Bill to amend the Act 29th Victoria, Chapter 17, relating to Life Assurances, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, respecting the hiring of Fishermen, and the recovery of their wages, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to explain Chapter twenty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Legal Profession of this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Laws respecting Education in this Province, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Tuesday, 23rd March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Bellingham*,—The Petition of *David McIntosh* and others, of the Township of *Harrington*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of *Napoléon Mignault* and *Adolphe Beauvais*, Notaries,—and the Petition of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*, County of *Terrebonne*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *N. Casault* and others of the City of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Lingwick*; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Sorel*; praying that the Municipal Code be amended in such a manner, that the Town of *Sorel* shall continue to be governed by its special Charter, (Act 29th Vic., Cap. 60).

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Nineteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and made several amendments to the same, which are submitted to the consideration of Your Honorable House:

Bill, to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*;

Bill, to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal* and the Incumbent and Churchwardens for the time being of St. George's Church, in the City of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate, to said Church belonging;

Bill, to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain real estate possessed by him under the Will of the late *John Platt*.

As to this last Bill, Your Committee beg to recommend to Your Honorable House that the fee of one hundred dollars paid by the Petitioner on this Bill be refunded to him, seeing that the fee paid on the Bill presented to Your Honorable House during the last Session, for the same objects, as sought to be attained by said Bill, and which was not passed, was not refunded.

Your Committee have also examined the Bill to incorporate the Benevolent Society of *Quebec*, and find, after the Statements made before Your Committee, that the Preamble has not been satisfactorily proved.

On motion of Mr. *Carter*, seconded by Mr. *Church*,

Ordered, That the fee imposed on the Bill to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain Real Estate possessed by him under the Will of the late *John Platt*, be remitted.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law respecting the Constitution of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, and the procedure therein.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*; also, the Act 27th and 28th Victoria, Chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting Registration, Registry Offices, and the Books and Registers kept in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinonge*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinonge*) reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 10th March, 1868; for a statement shewing:

1. The names of the Registry Offices actually provided with plans and books of reference for registration purposes, in accordance with the Articles 2166 and 2167 of the Civil Code of *Lower Canada*, and Chapter thirty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

2. The date of the appointment and the names of the Commissioners, Surveyors, and other persons who have, up to this time, been engaged as superintendents, or employed in drawing up plans or books of reference under the Laws and Statutes aforesaid.

3. The amount of the salaries which have been paid to such Commissioners, Surveyors and other employees, and all other expenditure hitherto incurred in drawing up the said plans and books of reference. (Sessional Papers, No. 24.)

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting District Magistrates in this Province; and after some time spent therein,

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library of Parliament.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the *Cadastrés* made under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and the new titles subsequent to the said *Cadastrés*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Rhéaume* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the Legal Profession in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

A Bill, to authorize the sale of part of the immoveable property substituted by the Will of the late Dame *Ann Jones*, widow of *Henry Corse*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by Mr. *Ogilvie*, the Bill was amended, by adding the following words after section 4: "Provided that nothing in this Act contained shall be construed to affect in any way the rights of persons having hypothecs on the said property."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass, and the title be: "An Act to authorize the sale of the immoveable property substituted by the Will of the late Dame *Ann Jones*, widow of *Henry Corse*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to amend the Act incorporating the St. Patrick's Hall Association of *Montreal*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act of the late Parliament of *Canada*, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robertson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself in to a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Montreal* Sailors' Institute; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dumoulin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *LaRue* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

And it being six o'clock P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till half-past seven o'clock P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House, the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee beg to report to this Honorable House that they have considered the Bill to revive and amend an Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Hydraulic and Dock Company, and have agreed to report the same, with amendments.

Your Committee beg further to report with regard to the Bill to incorporate the *St. Louis* Hydraulic and Dock Company, which was referred to them, that there this day appeared before them Mr. *Beaubien*, the promoter of said Bill, who begged leave to withdraw the same, which was granted to him.

Your Committee beg further to recommend to Your Honorable House, that the fee of one hundred dollars which the Honorable Member for *Hochelaga* has paid into the hands of the Clerk of Private Bills, on account of said Bill, be returned to him.

A Bill, to amend Chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*; also, the Act 27th and 28th Victoria, Chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting Registration, Registry Offices, and the Books and Registers kept in accordance with the provisions of the said Acts, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to amend Chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*"; and also, the "27th and 28th Victoria, Chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting Registration and the Books kept by Registrars."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, respecting the Legal Profession in this Province, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to amend the Act of the late Parliament of *Canada*, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to incorporate the *Montreal* Sailors' Institute, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal* and the Incumbent and Church Wardens for the time being of St. George's Church, in the City of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate, to said Church belonging, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to quiet the title of *Joha Platt* to certain Real Estate possessed by him under the Will of the late *Joha Platt*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day being read, for resuming the adjourned debate upon the Question which was yesterday proposed "That the Bill to amend the laws respecting Education in this Province," be now read a second time;

And the Question being again proposed—The House resumed the said adjourned debate.

And the Question being put:

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 24th March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Bessette*,—The Petition of *William Hackwell* and others, of the Township of *Ely*, County of *Shefford*.

By Mr. *Hearn*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *G. A. Tachereau* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *David McIntosh* and others, of the Township of *Harrington*; praying aid for a Road and a Bridge.

Of *Napoléon Mignault* and *Adolphe Beauvais*, Notaries; praying that the Bill respecting the Notarial Profession, be amended.

Of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*, County of

Terrebonne; praying that the terminus of the *Montreal* Northern Colonization Railway be fixed at *Mile End*, near *Montreal*.

Of *N. Casault* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the establishment of Houses of Reform and Industry in this Province.

Mr. Picard, from the Select Committee on the Bill to explain the 11th Section of the Act 27th Victoria, Chapter 9, respecting the sale of certain Real Estate by Municipalities, reported the same, with several amendments.

Mr. Carter, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twentieth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to incorporate the "Society of the *Montreal* Hospital for Sick Children" and also, the Bill to amend the "Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes," and have made amendments to the same, which are submitted for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

The Honorable *Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee beg to Report to Your Honorable House that they have examined the Bill further to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford* and *Chambly* Railroad Company which has been referred to them, and have agreed to report the same without any amendment.

The Honorable *Mr. Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to *Mr. Speaker* three Messages from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Messages were read by *Mr. Speaker*, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and are as follows:

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, copy of a Dispatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, respecting titles that should be given to certain functionaries of the British Provinces.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 24th February, 1869.

No. 524.

OTTAWA, 15th August, 1868.

Sir,—I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Governor-General, to transmit herewith to Your Honor, copies of two Dispatches from His Grace the Secretary of State for the Colonies, respectively dated, the twenty-third and twenty-fourth ultimo (the first including another,) and to request you to be pleased to cause these several documents to be published in the *Official Gazette* of the Province of *Quebec*.

I have the honor to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

(Signed,)

G. POWELL.

Acting under Secretary of State.

To His Honor the Honorable
Sir NARCISSE F. BELLEAU, Knight,
Lieutenant-Governor,
Quebec.

DOWNING STREET, 24th JULY, 1868.

MY LORD,

In consequence of the Confederation of the British Provinces, some revision of the former usage there about Titles has become necessary, and I have the honor to inform you that Her Majesty has been pleased to approve of the adoption of the following Regulations :

1. The Governor-General to be styled "His Excellency."
2. The Lieutenant-Governors of the Provinces to be styled "His Honor."
3. The Privy Councillors of *Canada* to be styled "Honorable," and for life.
4. Senators of *Canada* to be styled "Honorable," but only during office, and the title not to be continued afterwards.
5. Executive Councillors of the Provinces to be styled "Honorable," but only while in office, and the title not to be continued afterwards.
6. Legislative Councillors in the Provinces not in future to have that title, but gentlemen who were Legislative Councillors at the time of the Union to retain their title of "Honorable" for life.
7. The President of the Legislative Council in the Provinces to be styled "Honorable during office."
8. The Speakers of the House of Assembly, in the Provinces, to be styled "Honorable" during office.

I have, &c.,

(Signed,)

BUCKINGHAM & CHANDOS.

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec* transmits, for the information of the Legislative Assembly, a copy of an Order approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council, bearing date the 9th June, 1868, with copy of a memorandum of the Minister of Justice respecting the powers of the Federal Government of *Canada* to disallow bills of Local Legislatures.

Government House,
Quebec, this 24th March, 1869. }

(Copy.)

*Copy of Order approved by His Excellency the Governor-General in Council,
of 9th June, 1868.*

The Committee have had under consideration the annexed memorandum from the Honorable the Minister of Justice and Attorney-General, on the subject of the powers of disallowance of the Acts of Local Legislatures possessed by the General Government of the Dominion, and submitting his views and recommendations respecting the course which should be pursued, on all occasions, when the Acts of the Local Legislatures shall be transmitted to the Governor-General; and they respectfully advise that the same be approved and adopted.

(Signed,)

WM. H. LEE,
Clerk P. C.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
Ottawa, 8th June, 1868.

The undersigned begs to submit for the consideration of Your Excellency, that it is expedient to settle the course to be pursued with respect to the Acts passed by the Provincial Legislatures.

The same powers of disallowance as have always belonged to the Imperial Government, with respect to the Acts passed by Colonial Legislatures, have been

conferred by the Union Act on the Government of *Canada*. Of late years, Her Majesty's Government has not, as a general rule, interfered with the Legislation of Colonies having Representative Institutions and Responsible Government, except in the cases specially mentioned in the instructions to the Governors, or in matters of Imperial and not merely local interest.

Under the present constitution of *Canada*, the General Government will be called upon to consider the propriety of allowance or disallowance of Provincial Acts much more frequently than Her Majesty's Government has been with respect to colonial enactments.

In deciding whether any Act of a Provincial Legislature should be disallowed or sanctioned, the Government must not only consider whether it affects the interests of the whole Dominion or not, but also whether it be unconstitutional, whether it exceeds the jurisdiction conferred on Local Legislatures, and in cases where the jurisdiction is concurrent, whether it clashes with the Legislation of the General Parliament.

As it is of importance that the course of Local Legislation should be interfered with as little as possible, and the power of disallowance exercised with great caution, and only in cases where the Law and the general interests of the Dominion imperatively demand it, the undersigned recommends that the following course be pursued :

That, on receipt by Your Excellency of the Acts passed in any Province, they be referred to the Minister of Justice for report, and that he, with all convenient speed, do report as to those Acts which he considers free from objections of any kind; and if such report be approved of by Your Excellency in Council, that such approval be forthwith communicated to the Provincial Government.

That he make a separate report or separate reports on those Acts which he may consider :

1. As being altogether illegal or unconstitutional;
2. As illegal or unconstitutional in part;
3. In cases of concurrent jurisdiction, as clashing with the Legislation of the General Parliament;
4. As affecting the interests of the Dominion generally.

And that in such report or reports, he gives his reasons for his opinions.

That where a measure is considered only partially defective, or where objectionable, as being prejudicial to the general interests of the Dominion, or as clashing with its Legislation, communication should be had with the Provincial Government with respect to such measure, and that in such case the Act should not be disallowed, if the general interests permit such a course, until the Local Government has an opportunity of considering and discussing the objections taken, and the Local Legislature has also an opportunity of remedying the defects found to exist.

All which is respectfully submitted.

(Signed,)

JOHN A. MACDONALD.

N. F. BELLEAU,

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly, copy of a Dispatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for the Colonies, on the subject of the General Table of Precedence, as laid down in the book of Colonial Regulations.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 24th March, 1869.

DOWNING STREET, 23rd JULY, 1868.

MY LORD,—Adverting to the altered circumstances of *Canada*, which would render unsuited the General Table of Precedence laid down in the Book of Colonial Regulations, I have the honor to transmit by the Queen's command an amended Table of Precedence, which has received Her Majesty's approval for the Dominion of *Canada*.

I have &c.,

(Signed,)

BUCKINGHAM & CHANDOS.

Governor

The Right Hon.
Viscount MONCK,
&c., &c.

Table of Precedence within the Dominion of Canada.

1. The Governor-General or officer administering the Government.
2. Senior officer commanding Her Majesty's Troops within the Dominion, if of the rank of a General, and officer commanding Her Majesty's Naval Forces on the British North American Station, if of the rank of an Admiral. Their own relative rank to be determined by the Queen's Regulations on this subject.
3. The Lieutenant-Governor of *Ontario*.
4. " " of *Quebec*.
5. " " of *Nova Scotia*.
6. " " of *New Brunswick*.
7. Archbishops and Bishops according to Seniority.
8. Members of the Cabinet according to Seniority.
9. The Speaker of the Senate.
10. The Chief Judges of the Courts of Law and Equity, according to seniority.
11. Members of the Privy Council not of the Cabinet.
12. General Officers of Her Majesty's Army serving in the Dominion, and officers of the rank of Admiral in the Royal Navy serving on the British North American Station, not being in the chief command, the relative rank of such officers to be determined by the Queen's Regulations.
13. The officer commanding Her Majesty's Troops in the Dominion, if of the rank of Colonel, or inferior rank; and the officer commanding Her Majesty's Naval Forces on the British North American Station, if of equivalent rank, their relative rank to be ascertained by the Queen's Regulations.
14. Members of the Senate.
15. Speaker of the House of Commons.
16. Puisné Judges of the Courts of Law and Equity, according to seniority.
17. Members of the House of Commons.
18. Members of Executive Council (Provincial) within their Province.
19. Speaker of Legislative Council, within his Province.
20. Members of Legislative Council, within their Province.
21. Speaker of Legislative Assembly, within his Province.
22. Members of Legislative Assembly, within their Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly dated 25th February, 1869; for the Petition of *Narcisse Rodrigue* and others, of the Seigniory of *Rigaud-Vaudreuil*, in reference to the working of the *de Léry* Patent, together with the copy of said Patent, all orders in Council in reference to said Patent and to said Petition, and all correspondence concerning the same. (Sessional Papers, No. 25.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the *Quebec* Interpretation Act and the Act thirty-first Vict., cap. twenty, intituled: "An Act to encourage Settlers."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens, for the time being, of St. George's Church in the City of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate to said Church belonging; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Blais* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain Real Estate possessed by him, under the will of the late *John Platt*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brigham* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read a third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

A Bill, respecting the *Cadastrés* made under the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and the new titles subsequent to the said *Cadastrés*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act respecting the *Cadastrés* made in virtue of the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and renewal deeds posterior to the said *Cadastrés*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Tremblay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Tremblay* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns at its second sitting this day, it do stand adjourned till Saturday next; and that there be two distinct sittings on that day, the first to begin at 11 o'clock, A.M., and end at 1 o'clock, P.M., and the second to begin at 3 o'clock, P.M., and continue till the adjournment.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works for the 18 months ending 31st December, 1868. (Sessional Papers, No. 4.)

Ordered, That 2,000 copies in French, and 1,000 copies in English, of the said Report, be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting grants to be made in favor of Public Instruction and the levying of a School Tax.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, then acquainted the House that His Excellency, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. That the corporation of the said city of *Quebec* and of *Montreal* shall pay for the support of the schools in the said cities a sum equal to three times the amount of the share of the government grant coming to the schools of the said cities, under the provisions contained in the twenty-two first sections of the Bill to amend the Law respecting Education in this Province, now before this House; and that the sum coming to each of the Roman Catholic and Protestant boards of school commissioners under the provisions contained in the sections immediately following section twenty-four of said Bill, shall be paid by the said corporations to the Secretary-Treasurers of the said boards, in two equal semi-annual payments, on the first of January, and on the first of July of each year, and shall be recoverable by the said boards before any court of competent civil jurisdiction with interest and costs, and that for the present year, the payment due on the first of July may be delayed to the first of August.

2. That the corporations of the cities of *Quebec* and of *Montreal*, shall levy annually by assessment on Real Estate in the said cities, a tax sufficient to cover the amount to be paid by them for the support of Schools under the provisions contained in the twenty-two first sections of the said Bill; that the said tax shall be laid, collected and recovered before the Recorder's Court, at the time and in the manner provided for the other city taxes on Real Estate, except that if, for the present year, the time for assessing and levying the city taxes is passed when this law shall come into force, the said tax shall be forthwith laid and levied notwithstanding; and that the said tax shall be known as the "City School Tax."

3. That the sum appropriated annually by the fifteenth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for Lower Canada to poor Municipalities shall in future be eight thousand instead of four thousand dollars, and for that object a sum of four thousand dollars shall be added and remain added to the common school grant, permanent and additional, as also a sum equal to the increase which will take place by virtue of this act in the share of the said grant coming to the cities of *Quebec* and of *Montreal*.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow :

1. That the corporations of the said cities of *Quebec* and of *Montreal* shall pay for the support of the schools in the said cities a sum equal to three times the amount of the share of the government grant coming to the schools of the said cities, under the provisions contained in the twenty-two first sections of the Bill to amend the Law respecting Education in this Province, now before this House; and that the sum coming to each of the Roman Catholic and Protestant boards of school commissioners under the provisions contained in the sections immediately following section twenty-four of said Bill, shall be paid by the said corporations to the Secretary-Treasurers of the said boards, in two equal semi-annual payments, on the first of January, and on the first of July of each year, and shall be recoverable by the said boards before any court of competent civil jurisdiction with interest and costs, and that for the present year, the payment due on the first of July may be delayed to the first of August.

2. That the corporations of the cities of *Quebec* and of *Montreal*, shall levy annually by assessment on Real Estate in the said cities, a tax sufficient to cover the amount to be paid by them for the support of Schools under the provisions contained in the twenty-two first sections of the said Bill; that the said tax shall be laid, collected and recovered before the Recorder's Court, at the time and in the manner provided for the other city taxes on real estate, except that if, for the present year, the time for assessing and levying the city taxes is passed when this law shall come into force, the said tax shall be forthwith laid and levied notwithstanding, and that the said tax shall be known as the "City School Tax."

3. That the sum appropriated annually by the fifteenth chapter of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada* to poor Municipalities shall in future be eight thousand instead of four thousand dollars, and for that object a sum of four thousand dollars shall be added and remain added to the common school grant permanent and additional, as also a sum equal to the increase which will take place by virtue of this act in the share of the said grant coming to the cities of *Quebec* and of *Montreal*.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to amend the Laws respecting Education in this Province.

Mr. Church reported the Bill to amend Chapter 19 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of burying grounds held by Religious Congregations; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the laws respecting Education in this Province; and after some time spent therein, *Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair; and *Mr. Church* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

Ordered, That the fee paid on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Louis Hydraulic Company* be refunded.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Bill, intituled: "An Act to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*," intituled: "An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*," and to amend the 25th Victoria, Chapter 49.

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter 77 of the Consolidated Statutes for

Lower Canada, respecting the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of Quebec."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to extend the provisions of Chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled: 'An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*, and to amend the 25th Victoria, Chapter 49'"; and the same was read, as follows:

"Strike out section second."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend Chapter seventy-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of Quebec," and the same were read as follows:

Section 1, line 7, leave out the words "twenty-fourth" and insert the words "twenty-seven."

Section 1, lines 7 and 8, leave out the words "twenty-fourth" and insert the words "twenty-seventh."

Section 2, line 3, leave out the words "twenty-fifth" and insert the words "twenty-eighth."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And it being six o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till half-past seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of *Thomas P. Pelletier* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*.

By Mr. *Rheame*,—The Petition of the Vigilance Committee of *Montcalm* and *St. Johns*, Wards, of the City of *Quebec*.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Vigilance Committee of *Montcalm* and *St. Johns*, Wards, of the City of *Quebec*, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the number of members of the City Council of the said City be not reduced, and for other purposes.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney General-*Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to give authenticity to certain writings.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

Mr. *Benoit*, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Representation of the people in the Legislative Assembly, and to change the limits of the Counties of *Chateauguay* and *Napierville*, reported the same without any amendment.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mailloux* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the authentication and custody of Registers of Civil Status.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

A Bill, to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and

Church Wardens, for the time being, of St. George's Church in the City of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate, to the said Church belonging, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens, for the time being of the St. George Church, in the city of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate, to the said Church belonging.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain Real Estate possessed by him under the Will of the late *John Platt*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to provide for the holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to amend chapter 19 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of Burying Grounds held by Religious Congregations, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to amend Chapter nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of the holding of Burying Grounds by Religious Congregations."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly* Railroad Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Society of the *Montreal Hospital for Sick Children*, being read:

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Clement* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to extend the provisions of chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled: "An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*, and to amend the 25th *Victoria*, Chapter 49," being read;

The said amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to:

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to divide the Municipality of the County of *Rimouski*, into two separate Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the laws respecting Education in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to repeal the Act incorporating the Canada Marine Insurance Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend chapter seventy-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*, being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill, to amend Chapter 71, of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee, to consider of a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Salary of District Magistrates.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the Annual Salary of District Magistrates, shall not exceed twelve hundred dollars each.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Carter* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Carter* reported the Resolution accordingly, and the same was read, as follows:

Resolved, That the Annual Salary of District Magistrates, shall not exceed twelve hundred dollars each.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill respecting District Magistrates in this Province.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Fortin reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, on Saturday next.

And then the House adjourned, till Saturday next.

Saturday, 27th March, 1869.

Eleven o'clock, A. M.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. Dunkin,—The Petition of *Frederick B. Matthews*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *William Hackwell* and others, of the Township of *Elby*, County of *Shefford*,—and of *Thomas P. Pelletier* and others, of the Township of *Begon*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of the Very Reverend *G. A. Taschereau* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for the establishment of Houses of Reform and Industry in this Province.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the conclusions of the Petition of the *Montreal City Passenger Railway Company*, be not granted.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twenty-first Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to explain the Act 16th *Victoria*, chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*," and now report the same to Your Honorable House, without any amendment.

A Bill, to amend the Acts relating to the *Standstead, Shefford* and *Chambly* Railroad Company, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act further to amend the Acts relating to the *Standstead, Shefford* and *Chambly* Railway Company."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to repeal the Act incorporating the *Canada Marine Insurance Company*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to repeal the Act to incorporate the *Canada Marine Insurance Company*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting District Magistrates in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Church reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Church reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to explain the seventh section of the Act twelfth Victoria, Chapter one hundred and thirty-six, respecting the incorporation of the Roman Catholic Bishops of this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the *Quebec* Interpretation Act, and the Act thirty-first Victoria, Chapter twenty, intituled: "An Act to encourage Settlers," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting the constitution of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, and the procedure therein, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the second sitting of the House, this day.

A Bill, to incorporate the Society of the *Montreal* Hospital for Sick Children, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the laws respecting Education in this Province, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robertson* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Robertson* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Honorable Mr. *Cauchon* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *LeCavalier*, That all the words after "now," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to insert the following amendment at the end of section 13: "for the property occupied by them for the purposes for which they shall have been instituted; but property held by them for revenue shall be taxed by the School Commission or Trustees of the religious majority or minority, to which such institutions or corporations shall belong, or according to the declarations made by them to that effect, and in case the denominational character of such institutions shall not be apparent, and no such de-

clarations shall be made, such institutions or corporations shall be dealt with like other corporations or incorporated companies under this clause."

"That after the word "Corporations" in the 25th Section, the following words be inserted: "and occupied by such institutions or corporations for the purposes for which they may have been instituted and not merely for revenue."

"That the words "belonging to institutions or corporations" in the 4th sub-section of section 29 be struck out, and that the said section be amended by adding the following: "Sub-section 5th. Property held for revenue by religious, charitable or educational institutions or corporations, shall be inscribed on panels number one or number two, according to the denominational character of such institutions or to the declarations made to that effect by their managers, or if the denominational character of such institutions is not apparent, and if no such declaration is made, on panel number three," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:

YEAS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (Maski-</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>nongé),</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Scriber and</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> | <i>Verreault.—15.</i> |

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Irvine, (Solicitor-</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>General),</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St.</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Attorney-</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Maurice),</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>General),</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Dumoulin,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Poser and</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robertson.—27.</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *LeCavalier* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*, That all the words after "now" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommended to a Committee of the Whole House" with an instruction to amend the same, as follows:

"That all the words after "School House" in the 13th line of the 13th section be struck out, and the following words substituted therefor:

"That no building used or directly occupied by religious, charitable, or educational institutions or corporations be assessed for school purposes," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows:

YEAS:

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| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St. Mau-</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Roy, and</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>rice),</i> | <i>Picard,</i> | <i>Verreault.—13.</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | | |

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Irvine (Solicitor-</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>General);</i> | <i>Ouimet (Attorney-</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Maski-</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>General),</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>nongé),</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Pozér,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Dumoulin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robertson, and</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> | <i>Scrifer.—31.</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time ;

The Bill was accordingly read the third time ;

Resolved, That the bill do pass ;

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And it being one o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till Three o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Three o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Bellingham*,—The Petition of *A. B. Filion* and others, of the Township of *Arundel*, County of *Argenteuil*.

By Mr. *Bachand*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Lemay* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, County of *St. Hyacinthe*; and the Petition of *Honoré Meunier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, County of *St. Hyacinthe*.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 18th March, 1869; for a return of the Treasurer of the North Shore Turnpike Trust, showing the receipts from the *Dorchester Bridge*, as well as the Revenues and expenses of each Road under the control of the Turnpike Road Commissioners, during the years 1865, 1866, 1867 and 1868, together with the expenses incurred in maintaining and improving the same during the last three years, specifying the amount for each year. (Sessional Papers, No. 11.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law respecting Tavern-Keepers, Hawkers, Pedlers and Billiard Tables.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Industrial Schools.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

A Bill, respecting District Magistrates in this Province, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to amend the *Quebec* Interpretation Act and the Act 81st Victoria, Chapter twenty, intituled: "An Act to encourage Settlers," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fortin* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to explain the seventh Section of the Act twelfth Victoria, Chapter one hundred and thirty-six, respecting the incorporation of the Roman Catholic Bishops of this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Law respecting the Constitution of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, and the procedure therein; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bachand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bachand* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *LeCavalier* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to revive and amend an Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Hydraulic and Dock Company, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to explain the Act sixteenth Victoria, Chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, on Tuesday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting the representation of the people in the Legislative Assembly, and to change the limits of the Counties of *Chateauguay* and *Napierville*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council; and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend Chapter 71 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Tremblay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the report be now received.

Mr. *Tremblay* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And then the House adjourned, till Tuesday next.

Tuesday, 30th March, 1869.

Three o'clock, P. M.,

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Pozzer*,—The Petition of the Reverend *N. M. Huot* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Broughton*; the Petition of *Pierre Paquet* and others, of the Parish of *St. George*; the Petition of *Alexander Cathcart* and others, of the Township of *Liniers*; the Petition of *Michael Foley* and others, of the Parish of *St. François*; the Petition of the Reverend *L. H. Grenier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Elzéar*; the Petition of *Henri Jobin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Marie*; and the Petition of *Damase Mathieu* and others, of the Parish of *St. Victor de Tring*, all of the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, County of *Gaspé*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Frederick B. Matthews*; praying that the Bill to incorporate a Company which proposes to utilize the rapids at *Sault St. Louis*, do not pass.

Of *A. B. Filion* and others, of the Township of *Arundel*, County of *Argenteuil*; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Reverend *A. Lemay* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, County of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying that the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads do pass.

Of *Honoré Meunier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Charles*, County of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying that the Bill respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads do not pass.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting grants to be made to Colonization Railways.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

7. That if any Company seeking conversion of subsidy under the fifth of the foregoing Resolutions, shall ask to have the main line of their Railway, or the fair equivalent thereof, apart from any permitted branches or extensions, regarded (to that end only) as being the whole of such Railway, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may ordain accordingly; and in that case, the claim of such Company shall thereupon become and be limited to such main or declared equivalent line only.

8. That in case of the organization at any time before the first day of July, 1870, of a Company to construct and work a Colonization Railway of wood between *Three Rivers* and the *Grandes Piles*, it is expedient that the same should also be encouraged by Provincial aid in terms of the foregoing Resolutions,—but to the extent of a subsidy fixed at the rate of six instead of three per cent. yearly, and for such continuous and unbroken length of such Railway, not less than fifteen miles, as shall have been constructed and be in *bonâ fide* operation on or before the first day of July, 1873, and subject to the further condition that before commencement of work thereon, the line thereof shall have been approved and sanctioned, upon report of the Railway Board, by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Carter reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Carter reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as followeth:

7. That if any Company seeking conversion of subsidy under the fifth of the foregoing Resolutions, shall ask to have the main line of their Railway, or the fair equivalent thereof, apart from any permitted branches or extensions, regarded (to that end only) as being the whole of such Railway, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may ordain accordingly; and in that case, the claim of such Company shall thereupon become and be limited to such main or declared equivalent line only.

8. That in case of the organization at any time before the first day of July, 1870, of a Company to construct and work a Colonization Railway of wood between *Three Rivers* and the *Grandes Piles*, it is expedient that the same should also be encouraged by Provincial aid in terms of the foregoing Resolutions,—but to the extent of a subsidy fixed at the rate of six instead of three per cent. yearly, and for such continuous and unbroken length of such Railway, not less than fifteen miles, as shall have been constructed and be in *bonâ fide* operation on or before the first day of July, 1873, and subject to the further condition that before commencement of work thereon, the line thereof shall have been approved and sanctioned, upon report of the Railway Board, by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to, on a division.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill for the encouragement of certain Colonization Railways.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Law respecting Tavern-Keepers, Hawkers, Pedlers, and Billiard Tables, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the next sitting of the House, this day.

On the motion of the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dunkin,

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee, to

consider certain proposed Resolutions respecting grants for the encouragement of Agriculture.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. That every County Agricultural Society shall be entitled to an annual grant from the Provincial Treasury, equal to three times the amount subscribed and paid in by the members thereof; but that no grant shall be made to any society, unless eighty dollars have been subscribed and paid into the hands of the Treasurer thereof, by at least forty members; and the whole amount of the grant to each County Society, or to all the societies of a County, if there is more than one society therein organized, shall not, in any one year, exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars.

2. That the said grant shall be due and payable to each society, so soon as the report, statement of accounts and scheme of operations thereof, shall have received the approval of the Commissioner, and so soon as the Secretary-Treasurer or any other officer of the said society shall have transmitted to the Commissioner an affidavit sworn to before a Justice of the Peace, setting forth the members then forming part of the said society, the subscriptions whereof for the current year have been paid into and are in the hands of the Treasurer, and if two societies organized in one and the same County raised together a sum exceeding eighty dollars, the grant shall be divided between them in proportion to the amount subscribed and paid by each.

3. That the Commissioner shall draw from the Treasurer of this Province, and shall pay over to the societies, the public grant to which they are respectively entitled; he may however retain eighteen per cent on each allotment, whereof ten per cent shall be for the use of the Council of Agriculture, and eight per cent for Agricultural Instruction.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. Robertson reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions:

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Robertson reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as followeth.

1. That every County Agricultural Society shall be entitled to an Annual Grant from the Provincial Treasury, equal to three times the amount subscribed and paid in by the members thereof; but that no grant shall be made to any Society, unless eighty dollars have been subscribed and paid into the hands of the Treasurer thereof, by at least forty members; and the whole amount of the grant to each County Society, or to all the Societies of a County, if there is more than one Society therein organized, shall not, in any one year, exceed the sum of eight hundred dollars.

2. That the said grant shall be due and payable to each Society, so soon as the report, statement of accounts and scheme of operations thereof, shall have received the approval of the Commissioner, and so soon as the Secretary-Treasurer or any other officer of the said Society shall have transmitted to the Commissioner an affidavit sworn to before a Justice of the Peace, setting forth the members then forming part of the said Society, the subscriptions whereof for the current year have been paid into and are in the hands of the Treasurer, and if two Societies organized in one and the same County raise together a sum exceeding eighty dollars, the grant shall be divided between them in proportion to the amount subscribed and paid by each.

3. That the Commissioner shall draw from the Treasurer of this Province, and shall pay over to the Societies, the Public Grant to which they are respectively entitled: he may however retain eighteen per cent on each allotment, whereof ten

per cent shall be for the use of the Council of Agriculture, and eight per cent for Agricultural Instruction.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to:

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole on the Bill respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Houses of Reform and Industry, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill, respecting Industrial Schools, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : " An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works ; " and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Pozar* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to provide for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies. "

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the laws respecting Bazaars and Lotteries. "

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :

Bill, intituled : " An Act further to amend the Game Laws of this Province. "

Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Lumber and Land Company. "

Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis* Valley and *Kennebec* Railway Company. "

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : " An Act further to amend the Game Laws of this Province, " and the same were read, as follows :

Leave out the first section, and insert the following instead thereof :

1. The third Section of the Act of this Province, 31 Vict., cap. 26, is repealed, and the following substituted : No person shall fire at, hunt, take, kill or destroy any wild-swan, wild-geese or any kind of wild-duck, sea-duck, widgeon, or teal between the first day of May and the first day of September of any year, in that part of the Province West of *Three Rivers*, nor between the fifteenth day of the month of May, and the first day of the month of September in any year to the East of that Town, except in that part of the Province to the East of the place known as the *Brandy Pote*, in the River *St. Lawrence*, in which part of the Province the Inhabitants may at any time between the fifteenth day of May and the first day of September of each year, hunt, take or kill any of the above described game for food, but not for purposes of sale or barter.

Insert the following as Sections 2 and 3.

2. The words " at any time between sunset and sunrise " in the third line of the

fourth Section, are struck out, and the words "one hour after sunset and one hour after sunrise" are substituted.

3. The words "and partridges" inserted in the fifth Section of the said Act are struck out.

The second Section of the said Bill to become the fourth Section, as follows:

4. The word "Lynx" is struck out from the ninth Section and the words "fifteenth of October" substituted for the words "first day of November" for Mink.

The three following Sections to be added to the Bill:

5. In the tenth Section of the said Act 31 Vict., cap. 26, the words "first day of June" in the fourth line are struck out, and the following substituted: "first day of May for that part of the Province to the West of the City of Quebec."

6. No person shall, at any time, use or employ strychnine or any other deleterious poison, either mineral or vegetable, nor any spring-gun, to hunt, take, kill or destroy any wild animal of any kind whatever.

7. The Commissioner of Crown Lands shall have the power to appoint certain officers to superintend the due execution of the said Act, as amended by this Act and of any other Act which may be hereafter passed respecting Game in this Province.

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company*," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 3, line 16, leave out the word "general."

Page 3, line 17, leave out all the words after "company" to the end of the clause, and insert the words "specially described in the said Act and in the said Acts."

Page 4, line 13, leave out the words "of chapter sixty-six of the Consolidated Statutes of Canada," and insert the words "of the *Quebec Railway Act* of (1869,) passed during the present session."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley and Kennebec Railway Company*," and the same was read, as follows:

Page 5, line 33, after the word "Act" insert the words "(1869) passed during the present session."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to divide into two divisions the second registration division of the County of *Rimouski*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Moll reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to explain the 11th Section of the Act 27th Victoria, Chapter 9, respecting the sale of Real Estate by Municipalities; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Roy reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

And it being six o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till half-past seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Public Works of the Dominion abandoned or transferred thereby within this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pelletier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Pelletier* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to revive and amend an Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Hydraulic and Dock Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coutlée* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to explain the Act sixteenth Victoria, Chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Garon* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice* Lumber and Land Company," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis* Valley and *Kennebec* Railway Company," being read;

The said amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Houses of Reform and Industry; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be now re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, and the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bachand* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the Bill by striking out Section 19 as amended, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

"19. The Council of the Agricultural Society shall be composed of twenty members to be taken respectively in each of the Districts of the Province.

"2. When in any district there is a District Agricultural Society, the Chairman of that Society is the member for the Council of such District.

"3. If in any District there exists no District Society, the County Agricultural Societies in such District shall each elect at their general meetings in the month of December of each year, a person to be a member of the Council; the person who shall be member of the Council shall be the person who shall have had in his favor the majority of the Societies of the District; and in the event of an equal division of the Societies in his favor, the Commissioner shall decide who shall be such member of the Council.

"4. If on the first of February the County Agricultural Societies of a District, in which there exists no District Society, have not reported to the Commissioner that they have, as aforesaid, elected a person to be a member of the Council, then in such case the Lieutenant-Governor may appoint a person for such District as Member of the Council," inserted instead thereof:

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows:

YEAS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand.</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robert, and</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Poser,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—8.</i> |

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Attorney-</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>General),</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Desautniers (Maski-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>nongé),</i> | <i>Irvine (Solicitor-Ge-</i> | <i>Pobertson,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Desautniers (St.</i> | <i>neral),</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Maurice),</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Scriver, and</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Verreault,—29.</i> |
| <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Dumoulin,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Marchand* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Benoit*, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an instruction to amend the Bill by adding thereto the words "and the Secretary" after the word Vice-President in the first line of section thirty, and by striking out section thirty-two," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows:

YEAS:

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robert, and</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Pozer,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—9.</i> |
| <i>Joly,</i> | | | |

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Rhéalme,</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Desautels (Maski-</i> | <i>Irvine (Solicitor-</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>nongé),</i> | <i>General),</i> | <i>Scriver, and</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Varreault.—27.</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dumoulin,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Attorney-</i> | |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>General),</i> | |
| <i>Clément,</i> | | | |

So it passed in the negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Marchand* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Joly*, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the Bill by substituting the word "Council" for the word "Commissioner" wherever the latter word occurs in sections fifty-three, fifty-four, fifty-eight, seventy-seven, seventy-eight, eighty-three, eighty-four and ninety-five; and that the words "the recommendation of the said Council" be substituted for all the words after "shall follow" in the sixth line of section eighty-one," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bessette* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, as follows:

Page 1, line 29, leave out the word "forty" and insert the word "twenty."

Page 1, line 30, leave out the words "by any person suing for the same" and insert the words "in the name of Her Majesty."

Page 4, lines 2 and 3, leave out the words "are hereby abolished and."

Page 4, line 3, leave out all the words from "exist" to the end of the clause, and insert the words "from the date of the Lieutenant-Governor's Proclamation containing the appointment of the Members of the Council of Agriculture as hereinafter provided."

Page 4, line 7, leave out the words "with the Commissioner of Agriculture."

Page 4, lines 15 and 16, leave out the words "not less than eleven, nor more

than fifteen Members" and insert the words "twenty-three Members, twenty-one of whom."

Page 4, line 19, after the word "Province" insert the words "and of whom."

Page 4, Clauses 19 and 20 to become one clause.

Page 5, line 34, leave out the word "five" and insert the word "seven."

Page 7, lines 1 and 2, leave out the words "to lay down and publish, with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, uniform By-laws" and insert the words "to revise and approve of the By-laws which may be made."

Page 7, lines 3 and 4, leave out the words "with power to modify them in the same manner" and insert the words "and to make with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council such By-laws when the said Society shall neglect to make them."

Page 7, line 6, after the word "funds" insert the words "not exceeding one-third of the amount of the Provincial Grant."

Page 7, line 13, leave out the word "open" and insert the words "cause to be organized by the Agricultural Societies in such Counties or Districts as shall appear advantageous."

Page 7, line 17, leave out all the words after "competitors" to the words "first of" inclusive, on the 20th line.

Page 7, lines 20 and 21, leave out the words "in the year eighteen hundred and seventy."

Page 7, line 23, after the word "also" insert the words "in the Counties where this system shall be established."

Page 7, lines 32 and 33, leave out the words "from other Counties" and insert the words "into this Province."

Page 7, line 41, after the word "instruction" insert the words "otherwise than in Normal Schools."

Page 8, line 40, leave out all the words after "Agriculture" to the end of the clause and insert the words "and he shall have the power in the case of contravention on their part to suspend the Government grant to such Societies or Institutions and with the approbation of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council to withdraw it."

Page 9, leave out clause 42.

Page 9, line 7, after the word "Province" insert the words "and in the electoral division of the Town of Sherbrooke."

Page 9, line 9, after the word "annexed" insert the words "and such Society shall consist of all such as may then or hereafter have signed such declaration."

Page 9, line 15, leave out the word "County."

Page 9, lines 43 and 44, leave out the words "with the sanction and approval of the Commissioner."

Page 10, line 21, after the word "Year" insert the words "The Society number one and the Society number two in a County shall have the power by petition addressed to the Council of Agriculture and approved by the said Council to unite themselves, and shall then form but one Society under the name of "The Agricultural Society of the County of."

Page 10, line 39, after the word "district" insert the words "or the majority of such Societies not less than three in number who shall have resolved to form a District Society."

Page 10, line 42, fill up the blank with the words "one hundred dollars."

Page 10, line 45, after the word "district" insert the words "which shall so decide to constitute itself a District Society."

Page 11, line 5, after the word "time" insert the words "and when the Societies of a District have not united to form themselves into a District Society they shall continue to exist as separate Societies."

Page 11, line 6, leave out the words "included in a District Society" and insert the words "which shall have constituted themselves District Societies."

Page 11, line 29, leave out the words "said report" and insert the words "month of May."

Page 11, line 39, after the words "horticulture" insert the word "silviculture."

Page 12, line 22, leave out the words "once in every two years."

Page 12, line 24, leave out all the words after "prescribe" to the end of the section.

Page 13, line 26, after the word "year" insert the words "and in the Counties where there are no existing Societies a meeting for the formation of a Society may be held during the same month."

Page 13, line 29, leave out the word "and" and insert the word "or."

Page 13, line 29, after the word "doors" insert the words "or at any other public place in each Parish or Township."

Page 13, line 33, after the word "County" insert the words "and the person."

Page 13, line 33, after the word "shall" insert the words "have called the said meeting."

Page 13, line 37, after the word "directors" insert the words "except in Counties where there are more than seven Parishes where there shall be as many additional Directors as there are Parishes above that number."

Page 13, line 47, after the word "Act" insert the words "but in case of vacancies during said year by death or resignation, such vacancies may be filled up at a special general meeting of the members to be called for that purpose."

Page 14, line 39, leave out the words "at the beginning" and insert the words "on or before the first of June."

Page 15, line 3, after the word "operations" insert the words "so far as is not incompatible with the By-laws adopted by the Council of Agriculture."

Page 16, line 26, after the word "Society" insert the words "with the consent of the Agricultural Societies then existing in such County."

Page 17, leave out clause 92.

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill for the encouragement of certain Colonization Railways, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and ordered to be read the third time, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the law respecting Tavern-Keepers, Hawkers, Pedlers and Billiard Tables; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Dumoulin reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Wednesday, 31st March, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Beaubien,—The Petition of *Pierre Frigon* and others, of the Parish of *La Côte St. Louis*, County of *Hochelaga*.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of *John J. Day* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

Ordered, That the Petition of *Pierre Frigon* and others, of the Parish of *La Côte St. Louis*, County of *Hochelaga*, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize the extension of the *Montreal City Passenger Railway*.

Ordered, That the Petition of *John J. Day* and others, of the City of *Montreal*, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that Section 17 of the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Montreal*, may not become law.

Ordered, That the said Petitions be referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Reverend *N. M. Huot* and others, of the Parish of *St. Pierre de Broughton*,—of *Pierre Paquet* and others, of the Parish of *St. George*,—of *Alexander Cathcart* and others, of the Township of *Linière*,—of *Michael Foley* and others, of the Parish of *St. François*,—of the Reverend *L. H. Grenier* and others, of the Parish of *St. Elzéar*,—of *Henri Jobin* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Marie*,—and of *Damase Mathieu* and others, of the Parish of *St. Victor de Tring*, all of the County of *Beauce*; severally praying for amendments to the Jury Law.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, County of *Gaspé*; praying that the said Township be separated into two distinct municipalities.

Mr. Bellerose, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have the Honor to report to Your Honorable House, That they are pleased to be able to state that the suggestions made at the last session of Parliament by Your Committee, have been acted upon, as Your Honorable House may perceive on reference to the Schedules A and B, hereunto annexed.

According to those schedules, it appears that four offices, effecting a reduction of \$1800 per annum in the expenditure of this House, have been abolished since the close of the first Session of the present Parliament, viz :

1. That of Second Assistant Clerk of French Journals, heretofore filled by *Mr. Simoneau*, who now replaces *Mr. Langevin*, heretofore Assistant Accountant, in the office of the Accountant of this House; who resigned the office.

2. That of Second Assistant Clerk of English Journals, heretofore filled by *Mr. Molony*, now transferred to one of the Government Departments, viz : to the office of the Queen's Printer and also, to the office of the Chief Office Clerk, and who will in consequence receive from this House one half only of his salary, \$300.

3. That of Second Assistant in the office of the Clerk of Private Bills, heretofore filled by *Mr. Whyddon*, transferred to the office of the Clerk of English Journals, in the capacity of assistant, in lieu of *Mr. McGrath*, deceased.

4. That of Permanent Copying Clerk filled by *Mr. Pageau*, also transferred to one of the Government Departments, viz : to the Queen's Printer's Office.

Your Committee have also the honor to recommend that inasmuch as by a recommendation of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library of Parliament, one of the extra messengers has been permanently appointed, and inasmuch as a vacancy has taken place in the staff of extra messengers; the number of permanent messengers of this House be fixed at seven, and that of extra messengers at eight, together with an extra laborer at \$1 per diem.

A

List of the Officers and Permanent Clerks of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Quebec. 1st April, 1889.

| NAME. | OFFICE. | ANNUAL SALARY. |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| G. M. Muir..... | Clerk..... | \$1800 |
| Etienne Simard..... | Asst. Clerk..... | 1400 |
| Thomas McCord..... | Law Clerk..... | 1800 |
| C. A. Pariseault..... | Asst. do..... | 800 |
| J. Bte. Fréchette..... | Accountant..... | 1000 |
| L. Simoneau..... | Asst. do. and Book Keeper, formerly Second Assistant of French Journals..... | 600 |
| C. F. Langlois..... | Chief Office Clerk and Guardian and Distributor of Stationery, and Superintendent of Extra Clerks..... | 1000 |
| Chs. J. Ardouin..... | Copying Clerk..... | 500 |
| A. Boulanger..... | Do..... | 500 |
| C. Petitgrew..... | Do..... | 500 |
| Ths. Prendergast..... | Do and Keeper of Records..... | 500 |
| Chs. P. Lindsay..... | Chief Clerk of Committees and Elections..... | 1200 |
| Ed. Demers..... | Asst. do and Speaker's Secretary..... | 700 |
| Ed. Lemoine..... | Clerk of Private Bills..... | 1200 |
| Ed. S. Belleau..... | Asst. do..... | 800 |
| Wm. Cooke..... | Chief of English Translators..... | 1200 |
| J. B. Duggan..... | Asst. do..... | 800 |
| Ed. Moreau..... | Chief of French Translators..... | 1200 |
| Benoit Marquette..... | 1st Asst. of French Translators and French Translator of Votes and Proceedings..... | 800 |
| Buteau Turcotte..... | 2nd Asst. do..... | 600 |
| O. C. Delachevrotière... | Clerk of French Journals..... | 1200 |
| Ls. Fortier..... | Asst. do..... | 600 |
| Paul Ernest Smith..... | Clerk of English Journals..... | 1200 |
| Jos. Whyddon..... | Asst. do..... | 600 |
| L. P. Lemay..... | Librarian..... | 1000 |
| Chs. Garneau..... | Sergeant-at-Arms..... | 800 |
| Pierre Chenest..... | Post-Master..... | 600 |
| Olivier Robitaille..... | Chief Messenger..... | 600 |

EXTRA WRITERS.

1. Adjutor Demers.
2. William P. Anderson.
3. Ernest Taschereau.
4. I. T. Wotherspoon.
5. Jos. Bolduc.
6. Louis Turcotte.
7. Edward H. Nesbitt.
8. Alfred Evanturel.
9. John H. O'Neil.

at \$2.50 per diem;

B.

List of Permanent Messengers of the Legislative Assembly.

| NAME. | | SALARY. |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Chas. Dion..... | Messenger and Asst. Postmaster..... | \$500 |
| Ed. Littlejohn..... | Messenger..... | 400 |
| Martial Roy..... | Do | 400 |
| Joseph Trudel..... | Do | 400 |
| Siméon Gagné..... | Do | 400 |
| Alfred Pelletier..... | Speaker's Messenger..... | 400 |
| Jacques Morin..... | Library Messenger..... | 400 |

EXTRA MESSENGERS.

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| Rémi Quirouet. | } \$1.50 per diem. |
| Samuel King. | |
| James McGolrick. | |
| Etienne Gauvreau. | |
| Augustin Vallières. | |
| J. Bte. Parent. | |
| Vital Roy. | |
| Frs. X. Gagnon. | |

PAGES.

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| Victor Angers. | } \$1.00 per diem. |
| Edward Workman. | |
| Wilfred Blouin. | |
| Ernest Dubois. | |

EXTRA WORKMAN.

Elie Ouimet, \$1.00 per diem.

Mr. Carter from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills presented to the House the Twenty-second Report of the said Committee which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have had under their consideration Bills No. 55 and 73, both having for object the amendment of the provisions of the several Acts relating to the Incorporation of the City of Quebec, and have taken certain portions and details of each Bill, and also made sundry modifications and additions arising out of a mature consideration of the premises, so as to form one Bill in an amended shape as now reported to Your Honorable House, marked A and numbered 55, which Bill Your Committee beg leave to recommend for adoption to Your Honorable House.

On motion of Mr. Jodoin, seconded by Mr. Mathieu,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House,—a

statement of the sums of money borrowed by the Municipalities of the Villages of *Longueuil* and of the *Bassin de Chambly*, of the amount paid on account of the sums so borrowed, the arrears due as well on the interest as on the percentage to be paid to redeem the principal so borrowd.

Ordered, That the said address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to divide into two divisions the second registration division of the County of *Rimouski*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Tremblay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto...

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Tremblay* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to divide the Municipality of the County of *Rimouski* into two separate Municipalities; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Moll* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the second sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the article 2260 of the Civil Code respecting fees due Physicians, being read;

Mr. *Brigham* moved, seconded by Mr. *Moll*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Coutlée* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Robert*, That the word "now" be left out and the words "this day three months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:

YEAS :

Messieurs

Bachand,
Bergevin,
Clément,

Coutlée,
Jodoin,
Joly,

Marchand,
Mailloux,
Mathieu,

Rhéaume,
Robert, and
Tremblay.—12.

NAYS :

Messieurs

Bellerose,
Bessette,
Brigham,
Chapleau,
Church,
Desaulniers (St.
Maurice),

Dugas,
Dumoulin,
Fortin,
Hamilton,
Hearn,
Hemming,
Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)

Laberge,
LaRue,
Lavallée,
Locke,
Moll,
Ouimet, (Att.-Gen.)
Pelletier,

Picard,
Pozar,
Robertson,
Ross,
Roy,
Scriver, and
Verreault.—27.

So it passed in the negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting authentication and custody of Registers of Civil Status, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozzer* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of Quebec, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Mr. *Chapleau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Carter*, and the Question being put, That the Bill be amended by adding the words "being British subjects by birth or naturalisation" after the words "any persons," in the first line of the Provision of the fourteenth section; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, the Bill was amended by substituting for the words "Newell Fisk" the words "Michel Pourtier" in the sixth line of the second section.

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to explain the Act sixteenth Victoria, Chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of St. Michel," was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, for the encouragement of certain Colonization Railways, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the law respecting Tavern-Keepers, Hawkers, Pedlars, and Billiard Tables, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Church reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Church reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. Dunkin moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General O'Connell, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Indemnity to Members and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. Dunkin, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of Quebec, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. The Act passed in the 31st year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly," is hereby so revived and continues in force, as that all provisions thereof touching the salary of such Speaker shall apply to this year, and all touching the Indemnity to such members to this session, the latter, however, amended as follows:

(a.) By the substitution at the end of the first section of the Act of the words "six hundred dollars and no more," for the words "four hundred and fifty dollars and no more."

(b.) By the insertion in the second section of the Act, after the words "but each day during the session" of the words "after the first on which the member attends as aforesaid."

(c.) By the addition to such second section of the following sub-section:

"2. A member shall not be entitled to the said sessional allowance for less than thirty-one days' attendance, reckoned as aforesaid, but his allowance for any less number of days shall be six dollars for each days' attendance."

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Chapleau reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

A Bill, respecting Houses of Reform and Industry, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General Irvine, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General O'Connell, the following amendments were made to this Bill:

Clause 7, line 2, after the word "offender" insert the words "under the age of sixteen years."

Clause 9, line 7, leave out the words "or certified Reformatory School."

Clause 9, line 8, after the word "school" add the following words "or any youthful offender detained in such certified Reformatory School to be removed to another."

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Bill was further amended by adding the following, as clauses 14 and 15.

14. "Every officer of a certified Reformatory School authorized by the managers of the school, in writing under their hands or the hand of their Secretary, to take charge of any youthful offender, sentenced to detention, for the purpose of conveying him to or from the school, or of bringing him back to the school in case of his escape or refusal to return, shall for such purpose and while engaged in such duty, have all such powers, authorities, protection and privileges, for the purpose of the execution of his duty as reformatory officer, as any constable, duly appointed, has by law."

15. "When any youthful offender is sentenced to detention in a reformatory prison, the judge who orders the detention shall direct that he shall be sent to a reformatory conducted as far as possible in accordance with the religious belief to which his parents belong or in which he has been educated."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass, and the title be: "An Act respecting Reformatory Schools."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And it being six o'clock, P.M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till half-past seven o'clock, P.M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Anne*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Château-Richer*, both of the County of *Montmorency*.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth:

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of eighteen months from the first day of January last; and in conformity with the provisions of the 54th section of the British North America Act, 1867, he recommends these Supplementary Estimates to the Legislative Assembly. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

Government House,

Quebec, 31st March, 1869.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robertson* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Missisquoi* Junction Railway Company," with one amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Missisquoi* Junction Railway Company," and the same was read, as follows:

After the last section of the Bill insert the following as section 21:

"21. The Provisions of the *Quebec* General Railway Act of 1869, passed during the present session, shall apply to the company hereby incorporated, except in so far as the special provisions of this Act may be inconsistent therewith."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Indemnity to members and the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, and the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Robert*, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the same by striking out the following words:

"a. By the substitution, at the end of the first section of the Act, of the words six hundred dollars and no more," for the words "four hundred and fifty dollars and no more," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follows:

YEAS:

Messieurs:

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Maski-</i> | <i>Hearn,</i> | <i>Pozar,</i> |
| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>nonké,)</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Scriver,</i> |
| <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Tremblay, and</i> |
| | | | <i>Verreault.—16.</i> |

NAYS:

Messieurs:

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| <i>Beaudreau,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> |
| <i>Bellrose,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>DeLotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Attorney</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Irvine, (Solicitor-</i> | <i>General,)</i> |
| <i>Beasette,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St.</i> | <i>General,)</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Maurice),</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Rhéaume, and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dumoulin,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Robertson.—34.</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main question being put ; it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Mr. Chapleau reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read as follows :

1. The Act passed in the 31st year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled : " An Act respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly," is hereby so revived and continues in force, as that all provisions thereof touching the salary of such Speaker shall apply to this year, and all touching the indemnity to such members to this session, the latter, however, amended as follows :

(a.) By the substitution at the end of the first section of the Act of the words "six hundred dollars and no more," for the words "four hundred and fifty dollars and no more."

(b.) By the insertion in the second section of the Act, after the words "but each day during the session" of the words "after the first on which the member attends as aforesaid."

(c.) By the addition to such second section of the following sub-section :

"2. A member shall not be entitled to the said sessional allowance for less than thirty-one days' attendance, reckoned as aforesaid, but his allowance for any less number of days shall be six dollars for each day's attendance."

The said Resolutions, being read the second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill, respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of the Legislative Council, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of the Legislative Assembly ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at St. Vincent de Paul, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of schools in poor Municipalities, for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of Rents, Insurances, and Repairs of Public Buildings generally ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the Rents of Court Houses and Gaols ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards repairing or rebuilding the Batiscan Bridge ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, Montreal ; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional, as an aid to the Magdalen Asylum, (Bon Pasteur), *Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for widows and orphans, *Montreal*, (including late House of Refuge); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Freres de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul, Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Miséricorde, Rue Fullum, Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital de la Providence, Joliette*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to distressed people of *Red River*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet demand on municipalities fund, (Consolidated Statutes, *Lower Canada*, chapter 110, section 7); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolution, to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellrose* Reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

Mr. *Bellrose*, also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, at its first sitting to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Industrial Schools; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Carter* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Carter* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting Public Works of the Dominion abandoned or transferred thereby, within this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to give authenticity to certain writings, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Dumoulin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments, thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Dumoulin* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : "An Act further to amend the Game Laws of this Province," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

A Bill, to divide into two divisions the second Registration Division of the County of *Rimouski*, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be : "An Act to divide the second Registration District of the County of *Rimouski* into two Registration Divisions."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to divide the Municipality of the County of *Rimouski* into two separate Municipalities, was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Garon*, seconded by Mr. *Fortin*, the fifth Clause was amended by striking out the words "and that of the second division shall hold its sittings in the Village of *Rimouski*," and inserting the words "in the Village of *Rimouski* and that of the second division shall hold its sittings in."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Thursday, 1st April, 1869.

The following Petition was brought up and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Hamilton*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Shoolbred*.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLÉAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits to the Legislative Assembly additional Supplementary Estimates of sums required for the service of eighteen months, to be computed from the first January, 1869; and in conformity with the provisions of the

54th Section of the British North America Act, 1867, he recommends these additional Supplementary Estimates to the Legislative Assembly. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 1st April, 1869.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the additional Supplementary Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventeenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Cap Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, praying that the said Township be divided into two separate Municipalities, and find that the requisite notices have been given.

On motion of Mr. *Bellingham*, seconded by Mr. *Joly*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a statement showing the number of patients in the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum the 30th December, 1866, the day when Dr. *Douglass* sold the institution to Drs. *Frs. Elzéar Roy* and *J. E. J. Landry*.

The number received each month from 30th December, 1866, to 30th December, 1868.

The number of patients cured and discharged each month within those periods.

The number of patients who died each month within those periods.

The number of acres of farm-land attached to the Asylum.

The greatest number of patients employed in any month during the above period in performing farm work.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, seconded by Mr. *Bellingham*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be printed, such number of copies of the Bill to amend the Game Laws, when the same shall have become law, also, of the Act respecting Game Laws, passed by this House during last session; and also, of the Act 27th and 28th Victoria, cap. 52, intituled: "An Act for the protection of insectivorous and other birds beneficial to agriculture," as he shall deem necessary, for the purpose of distributing the same among the overseers of fisheries, Municipal Officers, School Teachers and other persons, in order to diffuse a general knowledge of these laws throughout the Country.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by Mr. *Dumoulin*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional, to defray miscellaneous services; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Dumoulin reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

Mr. Dumoulin then acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, at its first sitting to-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and ordered to be read the third time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intitled: "An Act to incorporate the *Missquoi Junction Railway Company*," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bachand* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And it being six o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till half-past seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Anne*,—and of the Municipality of the Parish of *Château-Richer*, both of the County of *Montmorency*; severally praying that the North Shore Turnpike Trust be released from the debt of the South Shore Turnpike Trust.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the list of Expiring Laws as prepared by the Law Clerk; and in conformity with that list, have prepared a Bill which the Chairman of the Committee has been instructed to present to Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortin* have leave to bring in a Bill to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, into two separate Municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House; and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of *Montreal*, and for other purposes; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr.

Robertson reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Robertson reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:
Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act 29th Vict., cap. 17, relating to Life Assurance."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Maganacippi River Improvement Company."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to authorize the sale of the immoveable property substituted by the will of the late Dame *Ann Jones*, widow of *Henry Corse*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis* and *Yamaska* Rivers Improvement and Deepening Company."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by "The Society of the *Montreal* General Hospital."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act respecting the representation of the people in the Legislative Assembly, and to change the limits of the Counties of *Chateauguay* and *Napierville*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to provide for the holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the legal profession in this Province."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend chapter nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of the holding of Burial Grounds by Religious Congregations."

Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the hiring of Fishermen, and the recovery of their wages."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to explain the seventh section of the Act twelfth *Victoria*, chapter one hundred and thirty-six, respecting the incorporation of the Roman Catholic Bishops of this Province."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend chapter 71 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to repeal the Act to incorporate the *Canada* Marine Insurance Company."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Law respecting the Constitution of the Superior Court of *Lower Canada*, and the Procedure therein."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the *Quebec* Interpretation Act, and the Act thirty-first *Victoria*, chapter twenty, intituled : "An Act to encourage Settlers."

Also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Richelieu*, *Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Counties Railway Company," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Richelieu*,

Drummond and Arthabaska Counties Railway Company," and the same were read, as followeth :

Page 2, line 30, clause 3, after the word "thereof" insert the words "with power hereafter to substitute iron rails for wooden in any part of said road in the discretion of the Directors."

Page 2, line 32, clause 4, after the word "shall" insert the word "be" and leave out the words "not exceeding in the whole."

Page 2, line 34, clause 4, after the figures "1869" insert the words "passed during the present session."

Page 3, line 2, section 5, after the word "Company" leave out the words "with the same powers as the Directors named and appointed by the original Act of Incorporation of the said Company."

Page 3, line 20, section 7, leave out the word "divestt" and insert the word "divest."

Page 3, line 33, Section 8, leave out the word "Monday," and insert the word "Wednesday."

Page 3, line 35, Section 9, leave out the two words "Monday."

Page 3, line 52, Section 9, leave out the word "Director," and insert the word "Directors."

Page 4, strike out the sixteenth Section.

Page 5, strike out the Seventeenth Section.

Page 5, line 28, strike out the number "18," and insert number "16."

Page 5, line 45, leave out the number "19," and insert number "17."

Page 6, line 1, Section 19, after the word "bonds," insert the words "or debentures."

Page 6, line 7, Section 19, after the word "Registration," insert the words, "anything in article 2084 of the Civil Code to the contrary notwithstanding; and such bonds or debentures shall and may be in the form contained in the Schedule B, annexed to this act, or in any other form similar thereto, and need not be executed before a Notary."

Page 6, line 8, Section 19, after the word "bonds," insert the words "or debentures."

Page 6, line 12, Section 19, after the word "bonds," insert the words "or debentures."

Page 6, line 15, Section 19, after the word "bonds," insert the words "or debentures."

Page 6, line 16, strike out the twentieth Section.

Page 6, line 36, the 21st Section will become the 18th.

Page 6, line 50, strike out the twenty second Section.

Page 7, line 8, the 23rd Section will become the 19th.

Page 8, line 6, schedule B, after the words "in the" insert the words "thirty-second."

Page 8, line 36, schedule B, leave out all the words from "I certify" to the word "Registrar" at the end of the said schedule.

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee recommend, that there be printed two hundred copies in French, and one hundred copies in English, of the Prison Inspector's Report, over and above the ordinary quantity.

Your Committee also recommend that the Report of the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands, for 1868, be printed.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the

Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee, with a view to arriving at an efficacious and economical system of printing the documents of the Legislature, have procured the information contained in the letter herewith annexed, from their able Clerk, Mr. Langlois.

That, after duly weighing the suggestions contained therein, they have deemed it advisable to recommend that from this time up to the next Session the Government will be pleased to take the necessary steps for giving out a contract for the printing upon the terms they judge most favorable ; provided, nevertheless, that the same do not go beyond the scale of prices shewn in that letter.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
Quebec, 31st March, 1869.

To the Honorable the President of the Joint Committee on Printing :

In obedience to orders from Your Honorable Committee to make known the manner in which the printing for the Legislature is being done, and to suggest the most advisable method of having it done in future, I have the honor to inform you, that from the beginning of the present session it has been as follows :

The minutes of the Honorable the Legislative Council are printed by G. T. Cary, Esq., at forty cents per thousand *ems*, and forty cents per token ; paper is charged 12½ cents a quire.

The Votes and Proceedings of the Legislative Assembly are also printed by G. T. Cary, Esq., at the above prices : forty cents per thousand *ems*, and forty cents per token ; paper (foolscap,) twelve and a half cents a quire.

These latter documents, instead of being sent at ten o'clock in the forenoon at the Record Office, are delivered, for the most part, only at two o'clock in the afternoon, a portion of them being, some times, delayed until the evening.

The printing of the public and private bills is done by five or six different printers, and the House has to pay for a new composition for the third reading, making a considerable increase in the expenses.

Owing to the printing being given to several printers by different parties, a great deal of trouble is caused for the office, besides the danger of making mistakes. The Law Clerk has informed me that he has felt the same inconvenience as myself, and even more.

I should also mention the embarrassment in which I sometimes am when called upon to settle accounts where mention is made of night-work or Sunday-work, or of work done in a hurry (as I am told) ; and the charges are considerably increased, that is to say, instead of 40 cents per thousand *ems* it is fifty cents ; and in some cases the prices are doubled.

The difficulties in my way are really numerous ; in the interest of the Legislature for economy and good order's sake, I would submit the following suggestions :

Pending a contract it would be highly desirable that the printing, except Bills under the control of the Law Clerk, should be sent to the Clerk of the Joint Printing Committee, and by him given to the fewest possible printers, to facilitate the despatch of business and ensure the work to be done at the most reasonable prices. In case of a contract being made this proceeding would lead to good order ; in the absence of one, the Clerk, in giving out the work, would signify the conditions and the parties would know what to count upon.

All the Public and Private Bills should be printed by the same person at a fixed uniform price, the Bills for which, the house has to pay would thus be at the regular tariff.

It would be advantageous to adopt the royal octavo form for printing the Bills in their different phases ; the same form and composition would then serve for the laws.

The Statutes could, by this means, be printed and distributed within a compara-

tively brief space of time; a single composition, at 50 cents (apart from corrections of some extent) would suffice for the Bills, and the composition required for the Laws, could be made for only 20 cents per thousand *ems*.

It is very important to fix the quality and price of the paper required to print all the documents of the Legislature. The Legislature could effect a great saving by a contract for a number of years, with a manufacture, which would secure the paper being uniformly good. By including in this contract, the paper required for printing the Laws, a great deal would be saved.

For the other details, I take the conditions of the contract of the *Ottawa* Legislature with their printer, putting opposite to them the amount it appears reasonable to pay here. My opinion is based upon the tenders made for last year, and I hardly take more than the average.

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The whole respectfully submitted,

(Signed,)

C. F. LANGLOIS,
C. O. C. Q.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Resolved, That this House will, at its first sitting, to-morrow, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

A Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," was, according to Order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the following amendments were made to the Bill:

Section 37, sub-section 1, line 3, strike out the word "two" and insert the word "three."

Section 96, line 2, leave out all the words after "passing" to the words "former Society was formed" inclusive, and insert the words "of the present Act, and remaining unexpended in the hands of any person who has been the Treasurer of such former Society, shall by him be paid over to the Treasurer of the present Society, or a Society that may be organized for the County heretofore comprised in whole or in part within the limits of such former Society."

Section 132, line 8, after the word "as" insert the words "derogating from any provisions of the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, intituled: "An Act respecting Colonization Roads or as"

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the House again in Committee of the Whole, on the Bill to revive and amend an Act to incorporate the *Montreal Hydraulic and Dock Company*, being read;

Mr. *Beaubien* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bachand*, and the Question being proposed, That Mr. Speaker do now leave the Chair;

And objection being taken to the said Bill, inasmuch as the Rules of the House have not been complied with, and the Bill is not founded on a Petition asking for the Provisions contained therein;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows:

The Bill before the House is out of order. It contains provisions respecting the expropriation of property, which were not demanded by Petition, and for which no notice was given as required by the 51st Rule of this House. It is true that during the Session a Petition was presented, praying for the passing of a Bill bearing the same title; but that Bill was withdrawn, and the one now under discussion substituted for it. The latter is hereby new, and contains clauses which bear upon the Standing Rules of the House, and should have been asked for by Petition.

Every Private Bill should be in conformity with the Petition presented in respect of it, and with the permission which is given to introduce it. It is out of order to withdraw it for the purpose of introducing another, the provisions of which are not first prayed for by Petition.

And an appeal being made from Mr. Speaker's decision, the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follows:

For Mr. Speaker's decision.

YEAS :

Messieurs

*Beaudreau,
Bergevin,
Bessette,
Carter,
Cauchon,
Chapais,
Chapleau,
Coubée,*

*Craig,
Desaulniers (Maski-
nonge),
Desaulniers (St.
Maurice),
Dugas,
Dumoulin,
Garon,*

*Gaudet,
Gendron,
Hearn,
LaRue,
Lavallée,
Locke,
Mailoux,*

*Pelletier,
Picard,
Poker,
Rhéaume,
Robert,
Tremblay, and
Verreault.—28.*

Against Mr. Speaker's decision.

NAYS :

Messieurs

*Bachand,
Beaubien,
Dunkin,*

*Hemming,
Irvine (Solicitor-Ge-
neral),
Joly,
Oammet (Attorney-
General),*

*Robertson, and
Scriver.—9.*

So the decision of Mr. Speaker was confirmed.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of Quebec, being read;

Mr. *Robertson* moved, seconded by Mr. *Joly*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

And objection being taken, that the Bill was out of order inasmuch as it is not founded on a Petition, and in compliance with the Rules of the House;

Mr. Speaker decided as follows :

This case is analogous to the one which precedes.

I see that this Bill changes the mode in which the Mayor is elected, and raises the qualification of Municipal Electors; neither of these provisions were asked by Petition. To be better understood, I shall read the Rule which obtains in England and which must be observed here, in so far as Private Legislation is concerned. "If, after the introduction of a Private Bill, it is desirable to add to it additional clauses, to which the standing Rules of the House are applicable, these additional clauses must be asked by Petition."

The new clauses introduced into this measure fall within the scope of this Rule, and should have been prayed for by Petition, after two months notice thereof in the public journals.

It has been stated that the Bill is the result of a compromise; but it has in no manner been established, that those who will thereby forfeit the privilege of voting, consented to this compromise.

I therefore rule the Bill out of order.

And the House, having continued to sit till after twelve o'clock, on Friday morning;

Friday, 2nd April, 1869.

The Order of the Day, for the House again in Committee on the Bill to compel the proprietors of toll-bridges to keep the same in good condition for the protection of passengers, and for other objects therein mentioned, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to allow moveables to be hypothecated in certain cases, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

And the House, having continued to sit till ten minutes after twelve of the clock, on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 2nd April, 1869.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Shoalbred*; praying aid for a Bridge.

Mr. *Picard* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to render valid all Notarial Acts which were not countersigned at the time of the promulgation of the Civil Code, on account of the death of the second Notary who ought to have countersigned such Acts, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Twenty-third Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix No. 3.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to be pleased to appoint a Commission for the purpose of enquiring into all the circumstances relating to the presenting of a Petition to this House by the Honorable *I. E. Thibault* and others, respecting the amendments to the several Acts incorporating the City of *Quebec*, to which false signatures, or signatures previously obtained for different purposes appear to have been attached, and to adopt the most effectual means of leading to the punishment of the guilty parties, if it be necessary.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, Report of the Minister of Public Instruction, for the years 1867 and 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 2).

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*.

Ordered, That 3,750 copies in the French and 3,250 copies in the English languages of the Report of the Minister of Public Instruction, for the years 1867 and 1868, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, have leave to bring in a Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, chapter 32.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

On motion of Mr. *Beaubien*, seconded by Mr. *Robertson*.

Ordered, That the Fee imposed on the Bill to revive and amend an Act to incorporate the *Montreal Hydraulic and Dock Company*, be remitted.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply several Resolutions, which were read, as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred and sixty-one thousand nine hundred and fourteen dollars and fifty-four cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Administration of Justice; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Subsidy to Colonization Railways (covering statutory appropriations); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Registration service; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty thousand four hundred and ninety-two dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the *Quebec Official Gazette*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an allowance for Lieutenant-Governor's Residence; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Arbitration under Constitutional Act; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet retiring allowances if found advisable; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of enforcement of Game Laws; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous services; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Surveys, (covering statutory appropriations); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eighty-six thousand five hundred and eight dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray general expenditure by Crown Lands Department, (including Jesuit's Estates, Clergy Lands, Crown Domain, Seignior of Lauzon, and Woods and Forests); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding twenty-six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray charges on Stamps, Licenses, &c., (covering statutory appropriations); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous expenses, (covering General Inspection, statutory appropriations, &c.); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding seven thousand four hundred and forty-nine dollars and fifty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray past over expenditure under special warrants and on Registration service; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Bellerose* further reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follows :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of the Legislative Council; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of the Legislative Assembly; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison, at *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of schools in poor Municipalities; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the expenses of Rents, Insurances, and Repairs of Public Buildings generally; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray the Rents of Court Houses and Gaols; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards repairing or rebuilding the Batiscan Bridge; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant House of Industry and refuge, *Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional, as an aid to the Magdalen Asylum, (*Bon Pasteur*), *Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for widows and orphans, *Montreal*, (including late House of Refuge); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Frères de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul, Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Miséricorde, Rue Fullum, Montreal*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital de la Providence, Joliette*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to distressed people of *Red River*; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet demand on Municipalities Fund, (Consolidated Statutes, *Lower Canada*, chapter 110, section 7); for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Bellerose* also further reported, from the Committee of Supply, a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That a sum, not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, additional to defray Miscellaneous Services; for the eighteen months ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, the sum of two millions four hundred and nineteen thousand four hundred and twenty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents, be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bachand* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House, this day.

Mr. *Bachand* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, at its next sitting, this day, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting Public Works of the Dominion abandoned or transferred thereby, within this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Fortin* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Fortin* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act respecting the Batiscan Bridge."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the security to be given by officers of this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benoit* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession," being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And a Debate arose thereupon.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the law respecting Education in this Province," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the law respecting Education in this Province," and the same were read, as followeth:—

Page 3, lines 48 and 49, after the words "or Corporation" insert the words "on the property occupied by them, for the objects for which they were instituted,

but on all property held by them or any of them for the purpose of deriving any income therefrom, they shall be taxed by the School Commissioners of the Religious majority or minority to which such Corporations or Institutions belong and to the exclusive benefit of such majority or minority in conformity with the declarations which they or each of them may make to that effect, but in the event that the Religious body to which such Corporations or Institutions belong is not apparent, and where no such declaration has been made, then such last mentioned properties shall be dealt with in like manner as the properties of other corporations or incorporated Companies in virtue of this Section.

Page 6, line 29, after the word "boards" insert the words "irrespective of the collection of the tax hereinafter provided for."

Page 6, line 48, after the word "Corporations" insert the words "and occupied by the said institutions or corporations for the objects for which they were respectively established, and not held by them solely for the purpose of deriving an income therefrom."

Page 7, line 46, leave out the words "belonging to institutions or corporations."

Page 7, line 47, after the word "taxation" insert the following as sub-section five: "5. Properties possessed for purposes of revenue by Religious, Charitable or Educational institutions or corporations shall be inscribed upon list No. one or list No. two according to the Religious denomination to which such institutions or corporations shall belong or in accordance with the declarations made by each of them to that effect; and if the Religious denomination is not apparent, and if no such declaration has been made, they shall be placed upon list No. three."

Page 7, lines 49 and 50, leave out the words "and opened for inspection during thirty days."

Page 7, line 50, after the word "shall" insert the word "forthwith."

Page 7, line 53, after the word "Cities" insert the words "and during thirty days after the publication of the first of the said notices, the said panels shall be open for inspection."

Page 8, line 2, after the word "person" insert the words "or corporation."

Page 8, line 5, after the word "person" insert the words "or corporation."

Page 8, line 9, leave out all the words after "days" to the end of the section."

Page 8, line 15, leave out the words "in force" and insert the words "acted upon."

Page 8, line 16, leave out all the words after "year" to the end of the section, and insert the words "but may be further corrected as hereinafter provided: "And also accounts for the said tax sent and delivered to the rate-payers, and the receipts given to the same shall bear conspicuously on their face the words "Panel No. one, Roman Catholic School tax," "panel No. two, Protestant School tax, or panel No. three, neutral School tax," as the case may be according to the panel on which the property shall have been inscribed. It shall be lawful for each board of School Commissioners, with the approbation of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, or of any person or corporation, after the expiration of the said thirty days, but at least thirty days before the second payment to be made by the corporation after the making of the said panels, to bring any complaint they may have in relation to the said panels before the Treasurer, after giving three days' notice thereof to the Board of School Commissioners, whose share of the sum may be diminished by reason of such complaints, with a right to appeal within three days to the Recorder, and according to the decision of the Treasurer or the Recorder, the panel or panels shall be amended and on the forthcoming payments the error shall be rectified for both payments. After the second payment, it shall be lawful for the Corporation, if they see fit, to declare by resolution that the statement and panels as amended shall be in force for three years from the date of the said panels, and in such case no other statement and panels shall be made while such statement and panel are in force."

Page 8, line 50, leave out the word "ten" and insert the word "twenty."

Page 8, line 52, after the word "the" insert the words "purchase of lots and for the."

Page 9, line 2, after the word "notwithstanding" insert the words "and it shall be lawful for the said boards with the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, to raise loans for the said purposes, and to transfer as security for such loans a part of their annual claims on the Corporation for the following years, subject to the above limitation, and the said bonds may, with the approbation aforesaid, raise money in advance for the said purposes by issuing debentures of not less than \$100 each, redeemable in not more than 20 years, and for an amount not exceeding in the whole for any one of the said boards the sum of \$100,000, and in such case the portion of their revenue set aside annually as aforesaid, or so much thereof as they may determine, shall be supplied to the forming of a sinking fund for the redemption of such debentures."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Resolved, That when this House doth adjourn, at its second sitting, this day, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow, and that there be two sittings on that day; the first to begin at 11 o'clock, A. M., and end at 1 o'clock P. M.; and the second to begin at 3 o'clock, P. M., and continue till the adjournment.

And it being six o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Report of the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker to revise the Rules and Standing Orders for the government of this House, which was read, as followeth:

1. That the 22nd rule be modified by adding thereto.

"And Bills ordered for the House for reference to a Committee of the Whole House, shall be placed for such reference, on the Orders of the Day following the order of reference, in their proper order next after Bills reported from any Standing or Select Committee."

2. That the 27th rule be also modified by adding at the end thereof the following words:

"If at the hour of six p.m., on a Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday, the House be sitting in Committee of the Whole, the Speaker shall take the Chair, the Chairman of the Committee shall report progress, and ask leave to sit again, which permission shall be granted to him for the same sitting, immediately after the Private Bills."

3. The 49th rule should be read as follows:

"No petition for any Private Bill is received by the House after the first three weeks of each Session; nor may any Private Bill be presented to the House after the first four weeks of each Session; nor may any report of any Standing or Select Committee upon a Private Bill be received after the first six weeks of each Session. And no motion for the suspension or modification of this rule, shall be entertained by the House, unless after reference made thereof at a previous sitting of the House to one or more Standing Committee or Committees of the House charged with consideration of Private Bills or of Petitions relating thereto, and upon the report of such Committee or Committees, giving, if the report be favorable, the special reasons which have induced such Committee or Committees to make such report."

That the following paragraphs be added at the end of the 52nd Rule, and form part thereof :

" All applications for Bills for the construction of Railways, Tramways, Canals or Telegraph lines, shall be subject to the following regulations : Before any Petition praying for leave to bring in a Bill for any of the purposes above named is received by the House, the person or persons petitioning for such Bill shall deposit with Clerk of the Private Bill Office, the following documents :

1. A map or plan upon a scale of not less than half an inch to the mile, showing the location upon which it is intended to construct the proposed work, and shewing also all lines of existing or authorized works of a similar character within or in any way affecting the District, or any part thereof, which the proposed work is intended to serve. Such map or plan to be signed by the Engineer or other party making the same.

2. A book of reference, in which shall be clearly set out the following information, in separate schedules, namely :

Schedule A. The name of each Municipality within which the proposed works, or any part thereof, are intended to be constructed; the population of each such municipality, as returned by the next preceding census; the rateable value of the property within each such municipality, as returned by the next preceding assessment rolls thereof; and this schedule may contain in a separate statement similar information as to the adjoining districts intended to be served by the proposed works.

Schedule B. A general description of the nature, extent, and proposed character of the contemplated works, and an estimate of the probable cost thereof, distinguishing the general items of construction, and the costs thereof respectively, as well as the nature, extent and probable cost of all engine and car stock, or other outfit or equipment necessary to the use and operation of the proposed undertaking. Such schedule to be signed by the engineer or other person preparing the same.

Schedule C. An exhibit showing the total amount of capital proposed to be raised for the purposes of the undertaking and the manner in which it is proposed to raise the same, whether by ordinary shares, bonds, debentures or other securities and the amount of each respectively.

Schedule D. An estimate of the probable revenues of the proposed undertaking, showing the sources whence the same are expected to be derived, the annual earnings therefrom respectively, the probable annual cost of operation or working expenditure, and the annual net revenue applicable to the payment of interest on the proposed investments. Such schedules to be signed by the person preparing the same.

The Committee also take the liberty of recommending that when towards the close of a session it shall be decided that there shall be two sittings each day, it be provided that a reasonable time shall be specially allowed for private legislation.

Your Committee also take the liberty of suggesting that it would be proper that the Clerk of the Private Bills Committee should be present during the sittings at the table of the Clerk of this House when Private Bills are under consideration so as to afford information if required.

On motion of Mr. *Robertson*, seconded by Mr. *Beaubien*,

Ordered, That the fee imposed on the Bill to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Quebec*, be re-mitted.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Richelieu, Drummond and Arthabaska Counties Railway Company*," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

Mr. *Bachand* reported, from the Committee of Ways and Means, a Resolution, which was read, as follows:

Resolved, That towards making good the supply granted to Her Majesty, the

sum of two millions, four hundred and nineteen thousand, four hundred and twenty-two dollars and eighty-eight cents, be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Dunkin have leave to bring in a Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, for the eighteen months ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hemming reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Hemming reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read, as follows:

Strike out grant to House of Refuge, *Montreal*, \$600.00.

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 31 Victoria, Chapter 32, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House resumed the Debate on the Question which was this day proposed, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession," be now read a second time.

And the Question being put; the House divided: and it was resolved in the affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for the second sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the laws respecting Education in this Province," being read;

The amendments were accordingly read a second time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, the English version of the said amendments was amended as follows:

In the first amendment, page 1, line 10, after the word "minority" insert the word "or."

In the sixth amendment, pages 2 and 3, leave out the words "days in the ninth line," and insert the words "Recorder where it first occurs in the tenth line."

Leave out the words "with the approbation of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council" in the margin opposite the seventh amendment.

And the Question being put, That the amendment so amended, be concurred in: it was resolved in the affirmative.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendments, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to give authenticity to certain writings."

Bill, intituled: An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the *Cadastres* made in virtue of the Consolidated Seigniorial Act and renewal deeds posterior to the said *Cadastres*."

Also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain Acts and documents executed in the District of *Gaspé*, and to provide for the closing of Inventories in the enregistration division of *Ste. Anne des Monts*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain acts and documents executed in the District of *Gaspé*, and to provide for the closing of Inventories in the enregistration division of *Ste. Anne des Monts*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to give authenticity to certain writings," and the same was read, as follows:

After sub-section three, insert the following as section two:

"2. The signature of the Deputy Clerk of the Executive Council named by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, or of the first Clerk of the Office of the Executive Council, shall have the same effect under this Act, as the signature of the Clerk of the Executive Council would have had."

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day, for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House, on the Bill respecting the security to be given by Officers of this Province, being read;

Mr. *Benoit* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and that the title be: "An Act respecting sureties to be given by Public Officers of this Province."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, to explain the 11th Section of the Act 27th Victoria, Chapter 9, respecting the sale of Real Estate by Municipalities, was, according to Order, read the third time.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock, on Saturday morning ;

Saturday, 3rd April, 1869.

On motion of Mr. *Picard*, seconded by Mr. *Bessette*, the Bill was amended by leaving out the sixth clause.

On motion of Mr. *Picard*, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*, the Bill was further amended, as follows :

Page 1, line 33, section 4, after the word " intents " insert the words " except as to the right of pre-emption."

Page 1, line 34, leave out the word " no" and insert the word " nothing."

Page 1, line 34, leave out the word " damages."

Page 2, leave out section six.

Resolved, That the Bill as amended, do pass, and the title be : " An Act to explain the eleventh section of twenty-seventh Victoria, chapter nine, respecting the sale of Real Estate by Municipalities."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : " An Act respecting the *Cadastres* made in virtue of the Consolidated Seigniorial Act, and renewal deeds posterior to the said *Cadastres*," and the same were read, as follows :

Section 3, line 1, after the words " Constituted *rente* " add the words " never has been and."

After section 3, add the following as sections Four and Five :

" 4. It shall be lawful for the Proprietor of the Capital of any such *rente* to institute a purely personal action against the holder of the immovable hypothecated (*Greve*) for the recovery of the *rente* or of the arrears thereof."

" These actions may be instituted either in the Circuit Court or the Magistrate's Court, any thing in the Articles 1054 1055 and 1058 of the Code of Civil Procedure to the contrary notwithstanding ; these actions in respect of the jurisdiction of the Court, the procedure, and the costs, shall be considered as purely personal actions and as having no relation to lands or Real Estate, annual *rentes* or other matters involving future rights ; whatever may be the amount of judgment rendered in all such actions, the judgment in default of sufficient movables may be executed after the delay of one year by the seizure and sale of the immovable hypothecated (*Greve*)."

" 5. The provisions of this Act shall not in any wise affect prejudicially any case now pending, or any judgment rendered before any Court of Justice in this Province."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to render valid all Notarial Acts which were not countersigned at the time of the promulgation of the Civil Code on account of the death of the second Notary who ought to have countersigned such Acts ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Benoit* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 1, section 2, line 38, after the word "*Ottawa*" insert the following words "to a point being either within one hundred feet above or below the Bridge belonging to Messieurs *Vinet* and Company, or by traversing the Island known as "*Isle Lachapelle*" now being the property of Mr. *Basile Piché*."

Page 3, section 6, line 12, after the word "*rivers*" add the words "and the principal arch of the said Bridge crossing over the channel shall not be less than two hundred feet, if the said Bridge is not erected at a distance of one hundred feet from the said Bridge, and if the Bridge to be erected is so erected at a distance of one hundred feet from the present Bridge, the piers to be erected shall correspond with the piers of the Bridge now already erected there with regard to the distance between the piers, provided always that should it be deemed necessary by the Board of Trade of the City of *Quebec*, the company shall be bound and obliged to place sufficient booms on each side of the principal channel to facilitate the passage of rafts under or beneath the main or principal arch, the whole under and in conformity with instructions of the Commissioner of Public Works of this Province, and the company after having erected the said Bridge in conformity with the plans approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, shall not be liable for any damages suffered by rafts or otherwise."

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

And the House, having continued to sit till fifteen minutes to one of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till this day.

Saturday, 3rd April, 1869.

Eleven o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter:

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
of *Quebec*,

SIR,—I hereby inform you that it is my intention, should the state of the Public Business permit, to prorogue the present Session of the Legislature of this Province, on Monday, the 5th April instant, at two o'clock, P. M.

I am, Mr. Speaker,
Your obedient servant,

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
Quebec, 3rd April, 1869.

N. F. BELLEAU,
L. G. Prov. *Quebec*.

On motion of Mr. *Hearn*, seconded by Mr. *Picard*,

Ordered, That the fee paid on the Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, be remitted.

On motion of Mr. *Carter*, seconded by Mr. *Church*,

Ordered, That the fee paid on the Bill to amend the Acts incorporating the *Montreal City Passenger Railway Company*, of *Montreal*, be remitted.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

Bill, intituled: "An Act to divide the second Registration District of the County of Rimouski into two Registration Divisions."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Sailors' Institute."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to divide the second Registration District of the County of Rimouski into two Registration Divisions," and the same were read, as follows:

In the title of the Bill, leave out the words "second Registration District of the."

In the preamble of the Bill, page 1, lines 1 and 2, leave out the words "second Registration District of the."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Sailors' Institute," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 3, line 4, after the word "make" insert the words "to the Lieutenant-Governor and to both Houses of the Legislature."

Page 3, line 7, after the word "information" insert the words "in the first twenty days of the Session."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

A Bill, for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money, required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the eighteen months ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the House again in Committee of Supply, being read; Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The Order, of the Day, for the House again in Committee of Ways and Means, being read;

Ordered, That the said Order be discharged.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act 31st Victoria, chapter 32; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rh  aume* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, this day.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill to render valid all Notarial Acts which were not countersigned at the time of the promulgation of the Civil Code, on account of the death of the second Notary who ought to have countersigned such Acts, being read;

Mr. *Verreault* moved, seconded by Mr. *Desaulniers* (*St. Maurice*), and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time; the House divided: and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to render valid certain Notarial Acts."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to Order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act 31st Victoria, chapter 32; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Rhéaume* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And it being one o'clock, P. M., the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker, till three o'clock, P. M. this day, without a Question first put.

Three o'clock, P. M.

Mr. *Fortin*, from the Select Committee to which was referred the Return to an Address of the 10th March ultimo; for the Official Correspondence and all other documents in relation to the Fires which have occurred on the Shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence in the *Gaspé* District, in 1867 and 1868, presented to the House the Report of the said Committee. (Appendix No. 2).

Ordered, That the said Report be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Report of the Select Committee appointed to assist Mr. Speaker to revise the Rules and Standing Orders for the government of this House.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address, dated 22nd February, 1869; for a Statement in reference to the District of *Beauce*, showing the amounts received under Chapter 16, 31st Victoria, for the payment of Petit Jurors; and also, the amount paid to the said Jurors, distinguishing the amounts paid to the Jurors of each Municipality, and the amounts received from each Municipality. (Sessional Papers, No. 26.)

A Bill, to amend the Act 31st Victoria, chapter 32, was, according to Order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be: "An Act to amend the Act 31 Victoria, chapter 32, respecting the Fire Marshals for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*, and to change their name of office to that of Fire Commissioner."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain Acts and Documents executed in the District of *Gaspé*, and to provide for the closing of Inventories in the Enregistrement Division of *Ste. Anne des Monts*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will, immediately, resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some

time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Church reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, that the Report be now received.

Mr. Church reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read, as follows:

Page 2, lines 13 and 14, leave out the words "a Parish Priest (*Curé*) and of."
The said amendment, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendment, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :

Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of Quebec."

Also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of chapter 4, of the Statutes of the Province of Quebec, called upon *Levi Ruggles Church*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of Ottawa, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. Church accordingly took the Chair of the House.

The Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee, after carefully examining the following Reports and Messages, recommend to Your Honorable House that these documents be printed as Sessional papers.

No. 1. Report of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

No. 2. Report of the Minister of Public Instruction upon Education.

No. 3. Public Accounts.

No. 4. Report of the Commissioner of Public Works and Agriculture.

No. 13. Message respecting Immigration Conference.

No. 14. Queen's Printer's Report, and Message and Documents relative to appointment of Queen's Printer.

No. 15. Message respecting Bill "St. Louis Hydraulic Company."

No. 17. Answer to Address respecting Civil Service Commission.

No. 19. Report of the Prothonotaries and Clerks of the Peace, for the Districts of Montreal and Quebec.

No. 5. Estimates.

No. 23. General Report of Prison Inspectors.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First, Second, Third and Fourth Reports of the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the Printing of the Legislature.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of chapter 4, of the Statutes of the Province of Quebec, called upon A. Lesieur Desaulniers, Esquire, Member for the Electoral District of *St. Maurice*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

Mr. Desaulniers accordingly, took the Chair of the House.

After some time, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of Quebec," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 3, line 12, after the word "have" insert the word "not."

Page 3, line 13, after the word "than" insert the word "if."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province," and the same was read, as followeth:

Page 1, line 5, after the word "person" leave out the words "who shall be Advocates for at least five years standing, and shall thereupon cease practising as a District Magistrate or."

The said amendment, being read a second time, and the Question being put, That the House doth agree with the Legislative Council in the said amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

Resolved, That a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Dunkin, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, the Honorable Mr. Chauveau, Mr. Joly and Mr. Marchand, be appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered at a Conference with the Legislative Council, for disagreeing to the said amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up Reasons to be offered to the Legislative Council, at a Conference, for disagreeing to the amendments made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province," reported, That the Committee had drawn up a Reason accordingly, which was read, as followeth:

Because, it is in the Public interest that the judicial function vested in District Magistrates by the Bill, should be exercised by persons having experience in the practice of the law, who shall thereupon cease practising.

The said Reason, being read a second time, was agreed to.

Resolved, That a Conference be desired with the Legislative Council, for the purpose of communicating to them the Reason which induced this House not to concur in the amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province."

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General Ouimet, the Honorable Mr.

Chauveau, the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, Mr. *Joly* and Mr. *Marchand*, do go to the Legislative Council, and desire the said Conference.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Robertson*,

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the 22nd February last, for a Statement in reference to the District of *Beauce*, showing the amounts received under cap. 16, 31 Vict., for the payment of Petit Jurors; and also, the amount paid to the said Jurors, distinguishing the amounts paid to the Jurors of each Municipality, and the amounts received from each Municipality, be printed for the use of the Members of the House.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *Boucher de Boucherville*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council agree to the Conference desired on the subject of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill sent up by the Legislative Assembly, intituled: "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province," and that they will send managers to meet the managers appointed by the Legislative Assembly, at half-past nine o'clock this evening, in the Conference Chamber of the Legislative Council.

And then he withdrew.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of this House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the English version of the amendments to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the laws relating to Education in this Province," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

At the hour appointed, the Members chosen on the part of this House to meet the managers on the part of the Legislative Council, at a Conference on the subject of an amendment made by their Honors to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province," attended the Conference.

And being returned,

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* reported, That they had attended and delivered to the managers on the part of the Legislative Council, the Reason of this House for disagreeing to the said amendment.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain Acts and documents executed in the District of *Gaspé*, and to provide for the closing of Inventories in the Enregistrement Division of *Ste. Anne des Monts*," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Industrial Schools," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Industrial Schools," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 4, leave out the 29th, 30th and 31st lines, and the word "secondly" in the 32nd line.

Page 4, line 40, leave out all the words after "defrayed" to the end of the clause, and insert the words "in the same manner as the expense of conveying prisoners to gaol."

Page 7, line 15, leave out the words "two shillings" and insert the words "one half dollar."

Page 7, lines 30 and 31, leave out the words "five shillings" and insert the words "one dollar and twenty-five cents."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Recorder's Court of the City of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time, and the Rules of this House suspended as regards the same.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time, and the Rules of this House suspended, as regards the same.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *Boucher de Boucherville*, Esquire, one of the Masters in Chancery:

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council do not insist upon the amendment made to the Bill sent up from the Legislative Assembly, intituled: "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province."

And then he withdrew.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council.

And the House, having continued to sit till after twelve of the clock, on Sunday morning;

Sunday, 4th April, 1869.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,

Resolved, That when this House doth adjourn, this day, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow, at nine o'clock, A.M.

And then the House adjourned, till to-morrow.

Monday, 5th April, 1869.

Nine o'clock, A. M.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Railways."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend chapter 37 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, and also the 27-28 *Victoria*, chapter 40 of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting registration and the books kept by Registrars."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Chambly* Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain Real Estate possessed by him under the will of the late *John Platt*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens, for the time being, of *St. George's Church* in the city of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate, to the said Church belonging."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of the *Montreal Hospital* for sick children."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Article 2,260 of the Civil Code respecting fees due Physicians."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the *St. Lawrence Warehouse, Dock and Wharfage Company*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act of the late Parliament of *Canada*," intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada* in connection with the Church of *Scotland*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *St. Patrick's Hall Association of Montreal*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act further to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford and Chambly Railroad Company*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to divide the Municipality of the County of *Rimouski*, into two separate Municipalities."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the authentication and custody of the Registers of Civil Status."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to explain the Act sixteenth *Victoria*, chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of *St. Michel*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting Reformatory Schools."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting Tavern Keepers, Hawkers, Peddlers and Billiards Tables."

Bill, intituled: "An Act for the encouragement of certain Colonization Railways."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the *Batiscan Bridge*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the sureties to be given by Public Officers of this Province."

Bill, intituled: "An Act for granting to Her Majesty, certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, for the eighteen months ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act 31st *Victoria*, chapter 32, respecting the Fire Marshals for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*, and to change their name of office to that of Fire Commissioner."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by

the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes," and the same were read, as follows:

Page 2, line 22, after the word "or" insert the word "in."

Page 2, line 26, after the word "Act" insert the words "Provided that any sum of money paid to the bearer of any such certificate, for interest accruing on the stock represented by such certificate, shall be indorsed on the said certificate."

Page 2, leave out the 35th, 36th and 37th lines.

Page 3, line 46, after the words "may be" leave out the words "which said Commissioners shall be appointed for that purpose, in conformity with, and in the manner prescribed in and by the fourteenth Section of the Act of the twenty-ninth and thirtieth year of Her Majesty's reign, chapter fifty-six."

Page 3, line 57, after the word "based" insert the words "and provided also, that said Commissioners be appointed, as follows: one shall be named by the Corporation, one by the parties mentioned in roll of Assessment set aside, and the third by a Judge of the Superior Court; and in case of the failure on the part, either of the parties interested or of the said Corporation, to select an arbitrator within ten days, after proper notice shall have been given to make such selection, the said arbitrator shall be appointed by a Judge of the Superior Court."

Page 4, line 17, after the word "than" insert the words "two months and not exceeding."

Page 4, line 18, after the word "*Montreal*" leave out the words "with or without hard labour."

Page 4, line 38, leave out the words "with or without hard labour."

Page 4, line 50, leave out the words "with or without hard labour."

Page 5, line 1, leave out the words "with or without hard labour."

Page 5, line 31, after the word "thereon" insert the words "and all the extent of land described on the said plan and delineated as aforesaid, and required for the purposes of the said Park, shall form part of the City of *Montreal* and be deemed to be within the limits of the said City for all municipal purposes, and all the powers by law vested in the Corporation of the said City relating to expropriation, shall apply to said extent of land."

Page 5, line 47, leave out the words "property expropriated" and insert the words "parties whose property is to be expropriated."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by *Samuel Staunton Hatt*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Gouvernor, to acquaint this Honorable House, that it is the pleasure of His Excellency, that the Members thereof, do forthwith attend him in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to attend His Excellency, when His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills:

An Act for continuing the Legislature of *Quebec* in case of the demise of the Crown.

An Act to provide for the administering of oaths to witnesses, in certain cases, for the purposes of the Legislature.

An Act to supply the place of the Speaker of the Legislative Council in certain cases.

An Act for securing the Independence of the Legislature of this Province.

An Act to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Berthier*.

An Act to define the privileges, immunities, and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary papers.

An Act to amend the Act passed in the thirty-first year of Her Majesty's Reign, chapter thirty, respecting the municipality of the Township of *Percé*.

An Act to repeal chapter thirty-two of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the destruction of Wolves.

An Act to incorporate the Town of *St. Germain de Rimouski*.

An Act to incorporate "*La Maison St. Joseph du Sault-au-Récollet*."

An Act to incorporate the Society called the "*Société Bienveillante de St. Jean-Baptiste de St. Joseph de Lévis*."

An Act respecting enquiries concerning public matters.

An Act to empower the Fabrique of the Parish of *Notre-Dame de Montréal*, to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre-Dame des Neiges*.

An Act to incorporate the Brothers of Charity of *St. Vincent de Paul of Montreal*.

An Act to incorporate the *Quebec and Gosford Railway Company*.

An Act to amend the Law respecting Jurors and Juries.

An Act to incorporate the Society called "*Le Cercle de Québec*."

An Act to incorporate "The Protestant Institution for Deaf-Mutes and for the Blind."

An Act to incorporate the Canadian Society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

An Act to incorporate the *Lévis and Kennebec Railway Company*.

An Act to amend the Joint Stock Companies' general clauses Act.

An Act to amend the Joint Stock Companies' Incorporation Act.

An Act to incorporate the Association called the "*Association St. Pierre de Sorel*."

An Act to authorize *Olivier Robitaille* to alienate certain Real Estate, belonging to the Estate of the late *Angus Macdonald*.

An Act to incorporate the "*Union St. Joseph de Sorel*."

An Act to incorporate the Society called the "*Union of St. Joseph of Notre-Dame of Hull*."

An Act to incorporate the English Workingmen's Benefit Society of *Montreal*.

An Act to extend the provisions of chapter 24 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, intituled: "An Act respecting Municipalities and Roads in *Lower Canada*, and to amend the 25th Victoria, chapter 49."

An Act further to amend the Game Laws of this Province.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Maurice Lumber and Land Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Sherbrooke, Eastern Townships, and Kennebec Railway Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis Valley and Kennebec Railway Company*.

An Act to reduce the capital stock of the *St. Francis Mining and Smelting Company* of the Township of *Clevedun*, Province of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend the laws respecting Bazaars and Lotteries.

An Act respecting the sale and management of Public lands.

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal Northern Colonization Railway Company*.

An Act to incorporate the *Magansippi River Improvement Company*.

An Act respecting the *St. Laurence Warehouse, Dock, and Wharfage Company*.

An Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads.

An Act to amend chapter 77, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*.

respecting the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench for the District of *Quebec*.

An Act respecting Railways.

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Infant School Association.

An Act to provide for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies.

An Act to incorporate the Irish Protestant Benevolent Society of the City of *Quebec*.

An Act to incorporate the *Missisquoi* Junction Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the South Eastern Counties Junction Railway Company.

An Act to incorporate the *Richelieu, Drummond* and *Arthabaska* Counties Railway Company.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*.

An Act to incorporate the *St. Francis* and *Yamaska* Rivers Improvement and deepening Company.

An Act to amend the Act to incorporate the *Chambly* Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company.

An Act to explain chapter twenty-three of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*.

An Act to amend the Act 29th Victoria, chapter 17, relating to Life Assurance.

An Act respecting the hiring of Fishermen and the recovery of their wages.

An Act to authorize and confirm a sale of certain immoveable property by the Society of the *Montreal* General Hospital.

An Act to authorize the sale of the immoveable property substituted by the will of the late Dame *Ann Jones*, widow of *Henry Corse*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *St. Patrick's Hall* Association of *Montreal*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Protestant House of Industry and Refuge.

An Act to incorporate the *Montreal* Sailors' institute.

An Act to amend the Act of the late Parliament of *Canada*, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Board for the management of the Temporalities Fund of the Presbyterian Church of *Canada*, in connection with the Church of *Scotland*."

An Act respecting the *cadastres* made in virtue of the Consolidated Seigniorial Act and renewal deeds posterior to the said *cadastres*.

An Act respecting the legal profession in this Province.

An Act to amend chapter 37 of the Consolidate Statutes for *Lower Canada* and also the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, chapter 40, of the Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting registration and the books kept by Registrars.

An Act to authorize the Rector of the Parish of *Montreal*, and the Incumbent and Church Wardens, for the time being, of *St. George's Church*, in the City of *Montreal*, to sell or hypothecate certain Real Estate to the said Church belonging.

An Act to quiet the title of *John Platt* to certain Real Estate possessed by him under the will of the late *John Platt*.

An Act to provide for the holding of the Circuit Court in the County of *Wolfe*.

An Act to amend chapter nineteen of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in respect of the holding of burial grounds by religious congregations.

An Act further to amend the Acts relating to the *Stanstead, Shefford* and *Chambly* Railroad Company.

An Act to amend the laws respecting Education in this Province.

An Act to incorporate the Society of the *Montreal* Hospital for sick children.

An Act to repeal the Act to incorporate the *Canada* Marine Insurance Company.

An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province.

An Act to amend the *Quebec* Interpretation Act, and the Act thirty-first Victoria, chapter twenty, intituled: "An Act to encourage Settlers."

An Act to amend chapter 71 of the Consolidated Statutes of *Canada*.

An Act to amend the law respecting the Constitution of the Superior Court for *Lower Canada*, and the Procedure therein.

An Act to amend the act respecting the representation of the people in the Legislative Assembly, and to change the limits of the Counties of *Chateauguy* and *Napierville*.

An Act to explain the seventh section of the Act twelfth Victoria, chapter one hundred and thirty-six, respecting the incorporation of the Roman Catholic Bishops of this Province.

An Act to incorporate the Dental Association of the Province of *Quebec*.

An Act to explain the act sixteenth Victoria, chapter 263, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Ecclesiastical Society of St. Michel."

An Act respecting Reformatory Schools.

An Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works.

An Act for the encouragement of certain Colonization Railways.

An Act to amend the law respecting Tavern Keepers, Hawkers, Pedlers and Billiard Tables.

An Act to divide the Municipality of the County of *Rimouski* into two separate Municipalities.

An Act to divide the Second Registration Division of the County of *Rimouski* into two Registration Divisions.

An Act to amend article 2260 of the Civil Code as respects fees due Physicians.

An Act respecting Industrial Schools.

An Act respecting the authentication and custody of Registers of Civil Status.

An Act to give authenticity to certain writings.

An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes.

An Act respecting the indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly..

An Act respecting the Batiscan Bridge.

An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned.

An Act respecting the sureties to be given by Public Officers of this Province.

An Act to amend the Act 31 Victoria, chapter 32, respecting the Fire Marshals for the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*, and to change their name of office to that of Fire Commissioner.

An Act to render valid certain acts and documents executed in the District of *Gaspé*, and to provide for the closing of inventories in the Enregistration Division of *Ste. Anne des Monts*.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, addressed His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as followeth :

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We Her Majesty's loyal and faithful subjects the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, approach Your Excellency to lay before you our Bill of Supply.

We have voted with pleasure the sums required for the Civil Service, and the different items of the Budget.

It is gratifying to us to think that a part of the Supplies which remained in the public chest at the expiration of the last eighteen months, will be employed in the increase of the grant for Colonization Roads, in new grants in aid of Colonization Societies and Wooden Railways, in increased aid for Education, and additional grants to Charitable Institutions.

We have given our best attention to the subjects mentioned in Your Excellency's Speech, and to the measures which have been submitted to us concerning the Independence of Parliament, the Privileges and Immunities of Parliament, the organization of the Department of Agriculture and Public Works, the formation and en-

couragement of Colonization Societies, the administration and sale of Public Lands, the amendment of the Jury Law, the appointment of District Magistrates, the security to be given by Public Officers, the encouragement of Wooden Railways and the general incorporation of Railways, and Bills on these several subjects are now submitted for Your Excellency's sanction.

We are also happy to announce to Your Excellency that we have given our attention to a measure on the subject of Education; and we have the confident hope that the Bill now submitted to Your Excellency, on this important subject, settling as it does in an equitable and liberal manner a long pending difficulty, will assure peace and harmony to all classes of Her Majesty's subjects in this Province.

Our attention has also been occupied with two other important measures, that on the subject of municipal organization and the law respecting the notarial profession; the numerous details of these two measures, justify us in postponing their adoption to another Session; and this course will enable us to take advantage of the information to be derived from the discussion respecting these measures which may take place during the interval.

In addition to these important measures, a large number of Bills of a public, local and private nature have been discussed, and are now presented for Your Excellency's sanction.

We feel assured, that with that wisdom which has always distinguished Your Excellency in the administration of the affairs of this Province, these laws will all be put into operation in such a manner as to produce the greatest public benefit; and in bringing about this result, we anticipate that Your Excellency will receive the active and cordial co-operation of all classes of society.

We conclude by assuring Your Excellency of our sincere devotion to our Gracious Sovereign, and of the sentiments of respect and affection which we entertain for Your Excellency.

The Honorable Mr. Speaker of the Legislative Assembly then presented the following money Bill:

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, for the eighteen months ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service."

To this Bill the Royal Assent was signified in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor thanks Her loyal subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

After which His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following Speech to both Houses:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I am happy to congratulate you in the name of our Most Gracious Sovereign on your numerous and important labors, and it is with the greatest satisfaction that I see the result of your deliberations.

Your attention has been constantly directed towards the development of the resources of the Province, and the measures which you have adopted for this object will receive my most active co-operation, and I hope, that of all classes of society.

I anticipate the greatest benefit for the public from the laws which have been sanctioned respecting the administration of Justice and the maintenance of public order.

I am happy to see the wisdom with which you have settled the question of Public Instruction, and I earnestly hope that the different classes of our population will, in peace and with harmony, take advantage of the great benefit of Education for the promotion of which the Province has voted such liberal amounts.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

I thank you in the name of Her Majesty for the liberality with which you have voted the supplies. I am happy to see that you have been able to increase the grants in aid of Colonization, Public Instruction and Charitable Institutions.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

The good understanding which has prevailed in your deliberations, and the happy results which have attended them, cannot fail to contribute to consolidate our new constitution. On your return to your homes you can yourselves exercise a powerful influence in carrying out many of the measures which you have adopted. I earnestly pray that your efforts to that end may be crowned with success, and that prosperity may attend yourselves and your families.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council said :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that this Provincial Legislature be prorogued until Wednesday, the Fifth day of May next, to be then here holden, and this Provincial Legislature is accordingly prorogued until WEDNESDAY, the FIFTH day of MAY next.

APPENDIX.

LIST OF APPENDICES.

N° 1.—STATEMENT OF LEGAL OPINIONS, Reports of Council and special Warrants under authority of clause 47, Vict., 31, cap. 9, prepared by the Auditor as thereby required.

N° 2.—FIRES IN THE GASPÉ DISTRICT:—Report of the Select Committee appointed to examine all the official correspondence and documents in relation to the Fires which have occurred on the shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, in the Gaspé District, in 1867 and 1868.

N° 3.—MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS:—Twenty-third Report of the Standing Committee on.

STATEMENT of Legal Opinions, Reports of Council and Special Warrants under au-

| Service. | Details. | Legal Opinions. |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Superior Education..... | To pay grants to the Convent of St. Edouard de la Rivière du Loup, and to the Model School at St. Alexandre d'Iberville..... | None. |
| Surveys..... | Survey of Crown Lands on Interecolonial Railway Route, in order to the prompt settlement of the Country on both sides of that route..... | None. |
| Colonisation Roads..... | Further aid to Roads, viz : County of Argenteuil.....\$500 00 Counties of Chicoutimi and Saguenay 800 00 County of Compton..... 500 00 Do Montcalm..... 200 00 Do Portneuf 300 00 Do Temiscouata..... 713 25 | None. |
| Do | To cover omissions in former distribution of total appropriation, and to complete works begun in order to save loss and larger expenditure..... | None. |
| Montreal Court House..... | For repairing or altering heating apparatus, in view of economizing on fuel and avoiding danger of explosion..... | None. |
| Beauce Court House and Gaol..... | To make general repairs— Walls in danger of falling and building unsafe for the keeping of the prisoners..... | None. |
| Expenses of Elections..... | To cover payments made by the Dominion Government, and expenditure in County of Champlain and city of Three-Rivers..... | None. |
| Superannuated Teachers..... | To pay one teacher whose name had been omitted, and to regularise expenditure from contributions from teachers... | None. |

Treasury Department,
Quebec, 22nd January, 1869.

thority of Clause 47, Vict. 31, Cap. 9, prepared by the Auditor as thereby required.

| Reports of Council. | | | | Special Warrant. | Amount of Special Warrants. | | Amount expended. | | Balance not expended. | |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------|------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|------|---------------------|------|--------------------------|------|
| No. | Date. | Amount. | | | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. |
| | 1868. | \$ | cts. | | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. |
| 124 | June 16..... | 133 | 00 | A | 133 | 00 | 105 | 00 | 28 | 00 |
| 17 | July 17..... | 10000 | 00 | None. | | | | | | |
| 142 | July 20..... | 3013 | 25 | B | 3013 | 25 | 4238 | 52 | 1274 | 73 |
| 189 | October 7..... | 2500 | 00 | E | 2500 | 00 | | | | |
| 141 | July 20..... | 6000 | 00 | C | 6000 | 00 | | | 6000 | 00 |
| 176 | October 1..... | 1650 | 00 | D | 1650 | 00 | 984 | 39 | 665 | 61 |
| 192 | October 16..... | 1564 | 00 | F | 1564 | 00 | 1165 | 39 | 398 | 61 |
| 195 | October 20..... | 457 | 00 | G | 457 | 00 | 457 | 00 | | |
| | | \$25317 | 25 | | 15317 | 25 | 6950 | 30 | 8366 | 95 |

GASPARD DROLET,
Auditor.

REPORT

OF THE

Select Committee to whom was referred the reply to an address of the 10th March 1869, praying for the present correspondence and all documents relating to fires which occurred on the coast of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, in the District of Gaspé, during 1867 and 1868, with power to investigate into all matters concerning fires which may have occurred in the forests of any part of the Province and also into all questions relating to the felling *déboisement* or replanting *reboisement* of trees.

Legislative Assembly,

Quebec, Friday, 12th March, 1869.

Resolved :—That the return to an address of the 10th instant, for the official correspondence and all other documents in relation to the fires which have occurred on the shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, in the Gaspé District, in 1867 and 1868, be referred to a Select Committee composed of:

Hon. Mr. CHAUVEAU,
“ “ Atty. Gen. OUMET,
“ FORTIN,
“ CHURCH,
“ POUPORE,
“ TREMBLAY,
“ JOLY,
“ LAVALLÉE.
“ HAMILTON,
“ ROY, and
“ HEMMING,

to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers and records.

(Attested)

G. M. MUIR,

C. L. A.

Tuesday, 16th March 1869.

Ordered,—That the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to five members.

Ordered,—That the powers of the Committee be increased in order to authorize them to examine into all that relates to fires which may have taken place in the woods in any section of the country, and also, into all questions relating to the decrease or increase of the growth of the forest.

Ordered.—That the said Committee have leave to report from time to time the result of their proceedings.

RETURN

To an address of the Legislative Assembly, dated the 10th March 1869, praying His Excellency to be pleased to cause to be laid before this House the official correspondence and all documents relating to the fires which have taken place on the shores of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, in the Gaspé District, in 1867 and 1868.

Secretary's Office,

Quebec, 12th March, 1869.

P. J. O. CHAUVEAU,

Secretary.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Quebec, 30th January 1869.

The Honorable J. O. BEAUBIEN,

Commissioner of Crown Lands,

SIR, I have the honor to submit to your favorable consideration the enclosed letter of Mr. Joseph Tanguay, hunter and fisherman, a resident for more than twenty years, of the place called Wash-Shee-Shoe, on the Labrador coast, together with the affidavits accompanying the same.

The depositions of Messrs. Tanguay, Metivier, J. B. Fournier and Prudent Fournier, on which reliance can be placed, will inform you of what Tanguay suffered from fires in the woods of Wash-Shee-Shoes, and its neighbourhood, and will further give you an idea, although a feeble one, of the immense loss to the Province by fires on an extent of woodland (I use the word "woodland" for not only were the woods burnt, but the soil also) of twenty leagues in length by four leagues in breadth in the neighbourhood of Wash-Shee-Shoe, and of half as much more in the neighbourhood of Mingan.

The great loss does not consist so much in the destruction of the woods as in that of the fur-bearing animals to which the woods served as a shelter. This part of the coast was considered one of our best hunting grounds. Now since the forest has disappeared, and the land been partially burnt up, the few fur-bearing animals which escaped the fire, have been driven away, and it will take more than fifty years for these woods to attain sufficient growth to permit such animals to resort to them again.

These fires are not caused by malice, but are due to the gross neglect of persons who for fishing or hunting purposes, camp in these localities, light fires, either for cooking their food, or for driving away the mosquitoes, and then fall asleep or leave without extinguishing them. Then, if the season happens to be dry and the wind the springs up, the fire spreads rapidly to the neighbouring woods, and in a short time the whole forest is in flames, to such an extent that no human effort can arrest their progress. This is what occurred in the north, during the course of the past year. In the month of June 1867, a fire broke out in the forests in the Gaspé District which was only extinguished by the rains in the fall.

Is it possible to form an idea of the damage caused to the forest by this fire? No! One would have to go over the ground, fifty years later, fully to appreciate the extent of loss incurred.

It is useless to say anything further on this subject. I know that your solicitude, for the preservation of our forest wealth, will induce you to take the necessary steps to prevent and arrest as much as possible, the recurrence of these fires, which are a scourge to the Province.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

P. FORTIN, M. P. P.

for Gaspé.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2593.)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,

Secy. Dept. Agric. and Pub. Works.

Quebec, 27th January, 1869.

P. FORTIN Esq., M. P. P.

SIR.—The affidavits which I transmitted to you in the hope that you would lay before the Government the state of distress in which I now find myself, with a family of eight children, have, I trust, been favorably considered. I venture to hope that the honorable members of the Legislative Assembly particularly entrusted with the representation of the interests of the poor fishermen of the north, will interest themselves in the subject of the unfortunate people whom the fire of the 5th July last reduced to poverty. While awaiting relief, we have to depend entirely on the charity of the Public.

When the fact is considered that we have spent thirty years on the Labrador coast, subsisting by fishing and hunting, and that we have been suddenly deprived of our usual sources of support, we think ourselves fairly entitled to Government assistance :

I therefore trust that you will endeavour to describe my distressed condition and obtain for me both the sympathy and assistance of the Government.

Will you have the kindness therefore to lay my petition before the House as soon as possible that I may obtain justice?

You will by so doing entitle yourself to the gratitude of a poor father of a family.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your devoted servant,

JOSEPH TANGUAY,

Fisherman.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2593.)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,

Secy. Dept. Agric. and Pub. Works.

Quebec, 25th. January, 1869.

PRUDENT FOURNIER, Overseer of Fisheries for the territory of "Wash-shee-shoe" doth depose and say :

That on the fourth of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight, he noticed, at a place called "Grand Wash-shee shoe," a small fire which must have been lighted by one of the employees of Mr. Molson.

That on the morning of the fifth he personally went in search of Mr. Molson, who was then on board of his yacht, to inform him that the fact of a fire being lighted near the forest was in direct contravention of the fishery laws, and to request him to have it extinguished without delay.

That thereupon Mr. Molson, with some men, went to the said locality and endeavoured to extinguish the fire, but the wind being high at the time caused it to extend to the forest, and the flames did not cease until they had burnt about four leagues in a landward, and about twelve in an easterly direction ; that the fire lasted for more than eight days, and could be still seen on the land in many places a month afterwards.

That the fire communicated so rapidly to Joseph Tanguay's residence, that he had not time to save the few provisions with which Government had provided him

That Joseph Tanguay and his family, in all eleven persons, were compelled to take refuge on an island for three weeks, and for six days subsisted upon only forty pounds of flour with water unfit to drink.

That they were exposed to the inclemency of the weather and to the winds and rain, with very little shelter.

That the above mentioned fire has reduced Joseph Tanguay to the greatest misery and has indeed completely ruined him ; that it also destroyed the huts, boats and property of many other persons living on the coast.

That the Province has suffered to a still greater extent by the said fire, as the localities in question were celebrated for the fine fur-bearing animals that were to be found in them.

That the foxes, martens, minks, beavers, and lynxes, for which high prices were given, were for the most part destroyed or driven away from their coverts. That some of the skins were valued at high prices, such as those of the black fox which fetched as high a price as twenty six pounds, and the northern marten valued at from five to seven dollars.

That some of the islands along the coast were also laid waste by the fire which further destroyed or drove away the birds which previously resorted to them in great numbers.

That it will take more than fifty years to repair the damage occasioned the Province by the loss of one of its best hunting grounds.

PRUDENT FOURNIER.

Sworn before me }
this twenty sixth day } F. E. HUDON,
of January, 1869. } Com. S. C.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2593,)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,
Secy. Dept. Agric. and Pub. Works.

Quebec, 25th January, 1869.

The undersigned FRANCOIS METIVIER, of the City of Quebec, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, doth depose and say;

That he has resided for the last ten years at Pas-a-Chibo, on the Labrador coast, where he subsisted by fishing and hunting, and where he kept a store for trading purposes with the Indians.

That he was at Wash-Shee-Shoe on the day of the fourth of July last, where he met Mr. Hoffman, one of the employees of John Thomas Molson, who informed him that he came for fishing flies for his employers.

That on the following day a disastrous fire reduced to ashes both Joseph Tanguay's property and his own.

That not only were his hunting grounds ruined by the said fire, but his huts, boats, etc., were consumed and that he was by it deprived of his means of trading with the Indians, and thus has lost all chance of gaining a livelihood.

That he was of necessity compelled to return with his family to Quebec, where he now resides, without friends or work.

That the loss he suffered by the fire amounts to one hundred and fifty pounds currency.

That the above mentioned fire did not cease until it had burnt about twelve miles in an inland and in an easterly direction about thirty-six. It lasted over eight days and a month afterwards fire could be seen on the soil in many places.

That the Province has suffered still more by the said fire, as these localities were celebrated for the fine fur-bearing animals that made them their resort.

That the foxes, martens, minks, otters, beavers and lynxes, for the skins of which high prices were obtained, were for the most part either destroyed or driven away from their coverts; that some of the skins were valued at high prices, such as those of the black fox which were sold as high as twenty-six pounds each, and that of the northern marten which was worth from five to seven dollars.

That some of the islands along the coast were also laid waste by the fire, which destroyed or drove away the birds which frequented them in great numbers.

That it will take more than fifty years to repair the damage occasioned to the Province by the loss of one of its best hunting grounds.

FRANCOIS METIVIER.

Sworn before me this }
twenty sixth day of Ja- } F. E. HUDON,
nuary, 1869. } Com. S. C.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2593,)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,

Secy. Dept. Agric. and Pub. Works.

Quebec, 25th January, 1869

The undersigned JOSEPH TANGUAY, of the Parish of St. Valier, in the County of Bellechasse, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, doth depose and say :

That he obtained from the Government through the Assistant Commissioner of Crown lands, Andrew Russell, the necessary licence required by law to fish, from the first of May eighteen hundred and sixty to the thirty first of July eighteen hundred and sixty five, in the river called the Grand Wash-shee-shoe, on the Labrador coast, and to set nets for salmon therein.

That the fishing in the said river, and in two other small rivers adjoining, were the sole means by which he lived.

That on the seventeenth of June eighteen hundred and sixty-five, he received a letter from Mr. Fortin, dated on board the "*Canadienne*" informing him that he had been instructed by the Minister of Crown Lands to notify him for the future not to fish in the river Wash-shee-shoe as the said river was thereafter closed against net fishing.

That through this order of the Commissioner of Crown Lands the undersigned sustained great loss, as his nets, casks, cordage and a wooden building he had erected, were at once rendered useless.

That the undersigned willingly submitted to the order of the Commissioner of Crown Lands.

That since the said order, the Government has leased, assigned and transferred the right of fishing in the above mentioned river to several persons who fish it every year with the rod.

That the Honorable Mr. Abbott and others who had obtained from the Government the said right of fishing, assigned, sublet and transferred the same last year to Mr. John Molson and others.

That on the fourth of July eighteen hundred and sixty eight, a disastrous fire broke out on the Labrador coast, and on the evening of the fifth, burnt down to the ground the house, shop, stable, oven, hangar, together with six barrels of salmon and all the other property of the undersigned.

That the undersigned suffered damage to the extent of three hundred and twelve pounds currency, and that he and his family are now in the greatest distress.

That after having passed twenty-nine years on the Labrador coast, with his wife and seven children, he finds himself a complete stranger in Quebec without employment or friends; that he is also infirm and without any means of gaining a livelihood.

That the above mentioned fire did not stop until it had burnt about twelve miles inland and in an easterly direction about thirty-six. It lasted over eight days, and fire could be seen on the land in several places a month afterwards.

That the Province has suffered still more by the said fire, as the locality in question was celebrated for fine fur bearing animals.

That the foxes, martens, minks, otters, beavers and lynxes for the skins of which high prices were obtained, were for the most part destroyed or driven away from their coverts; that some of the skins were of great value such as those of

the black fox which sold as high as twenty-six pounds a skin, and that of the northern marten which was worth from five to seven dollars.

That some of the islands along the coast were also laid waste by the fire, which destroyed or drove away the birds which previously frequented them in great numbers.

That it will take over fifty years to repair the damage sustained by the Province in the loss of one of its best hunting grounds.

JOSEPH TANGUAY.

Sworn before me }
this twenty-sixth day } F. E. HUDON,
of January, 1869. } Com. S. C.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2593,)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,
Secy. Dept. Agric. & Pub. Works.

Quebec, 26th January, 1869.

JEAN BAPTISTE FOURNIER, of the City of Quebec, navigator, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, doth depose and say :

That he was appointed overseer of fisheries for the river Mingan, where he arrived about the fifteenth of June eighteen hundred and sixty eight.

That towards the end of June, seven persons came to fish in the river Mingan, with a permit from the superintendant of fisheries, Mr. Whitcher.

That on the same day they ascended the river as high as the falls where they made a fire and camped.

That in the afternoon of the fourth of July they made another fire above the falls.

That one of the men informed him, when questioned, that he himself had set fire to the woods with a match while smoking.

That the fire compelled the persons above alluded to to come down to the station.

That on the same day the above mentioned fire had already swept over, a distance of six or seven miles in the direction of the sea, and towards the east about thirty six or thirty seven.

That the said fire occurred simultaneously with another on the Grand Washshee-shoe about sixty miles from Mingan.

That these two large fires run in the direction of each other and were within twelve miles of meeting.

That if the wind had not gone down on the following day the loss would have been much more considerable, and in the event of its having blown from

the east, would have completely destroyed the station at Mingan and all the buildings and property of the Hudson's Bay Company.

That both fires caused irreparable damage to hunters, and have consequently in that important part of the North Shore put a stop to all traffic in furs and communication with the Indians.

That the Province has suffered still more by the said fire, as those places were celebrated for the fine fur-bearing animals that were to be found therein.

That the foxes, martens, minks, otters, beavers and lynxes for which high prices were obtained, were for the greater part destroyed or driven away from their haunts; some of the skins commanded high prices, such as those of the black fox, which sold as high as twenty six pounds each and those of the northern marten which sold at from five to seven dollars currency each.

That several islands along the coast were also laid waste by the fire, which destroyed or drove away the birds previously in the habit of resorting to them in large numbers.

That it will take over fifty years to repair the damage caused to the Province by the loss of one of its best hunting grounds.

J. Bte. FOURNIER.

Sworn before me this 25th } F. E. Hudon,
day of January, 1869. } Com. S. C.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2593,)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,
Secy. Dept. Agric. & Pub. Works.

Quebec, 6th February, 1869.

The Honorable L. ARCHAMBAULT,

Commissioner of Public Works.

SIR.—The individual named FRANCOIS METIVIER of Pas-à-chibo, on the Labrador coast, in the neighbourhood of Wash-shee-shoo, has together with M. JOSEPH TANGUAY, suffered extensively by the fire which laid waste the woods on that part of the coast.

His hunting cabin and hunting and fishing gear were consumed and his loss is estimated at \$600.00. He is now in great distress in Quebec.

Mr. GREGORY who was entrusted by the Government with the duty of supplying the assistance which was so generously forwarded to the poor fishermen on the coast of Labrador, could not, for some unexplained reason, reach that part of the coast on which Wash-Shee-Shoe and Pas-à-chibo are situated; this is the reason of Messrs. Tanguay and Metivier who suffered so much by the fire, not receiving any relief.

I think that the Government who have yet at their disposal a sum of \$165.00, balance of the appropriation returned by Mr. Gregory, should decide to divide the same between the two sufferers in question, in proportion to their losses. By so doing, they would discharge a duty which the state of distress to which those unfortunate persons and their large families have been reduced, renders imperative.

I therefore respectfully take the liberty of suggesting that you will kindly recommend that of the \$165.00, \$100 be granted to Joseph Tanguay, and \$65 to Metivier.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

P. FORTIN.

For true copy, (see L. R. 2594,)

J. D. ED. LIONAIS,

Secy. Dept. Agric. & Pub. Works.

Quebec, 9th February, 1869.

The Honorable J. O BEAUBIEN,

Commissioner of Crown Lands.

SIR.—During the Course of last summer an immense territory rich in fur-bearing animals of all kinds, was laid waste by two fires. One of these fires commenced at the mouth of the river Wash-Shee-Shoe, and swept over a space of from 20 to 30 leagues in length, by from 4 to 5 leagues in breadth, and destroyed fishing establishments worth between \$1500 and \$2000. The second fire commenced on the banks of the river Mingan and destroyed a forest of from 40 to 50 leagues in superficies. If travellers, traders, fishermen and others continue to act with as little caution as they have hitherto done, there is but little doubt that in a few years the greater part of the hunting grounds situated on the North shore of the river and Gulf of St. Lawrence, will be turned into a desert. The destruction of our forests, even on lands unfit for cultivation, setting aside too the profits derived from hunting, is still very prejudicial to the interests of the the Province as it affects injuriously the development of our mineral wealth.

During the course of various surveys which I made in the neighbourhood of lake St. John, and particularly at the time of my survey of the river Peribouhia, the principal branch of which I traversed for 130 miles. I could easily see that two thirds at least of the land watered by this river and formerly covered with rich forests of white and red pine, had been ravaged by two or three successive conflagrations.

The injury caused by them to the arable lands in the territory of the Saguenay is incalculable. The newspapers at various times have given accounts of the disasters that befell the settlers in the county of Chicoutimi. These fires very often

as in the cases mentioned, result from the negligence of persons little interested in the preservation of public property. Tanguay and Métivier, victims of the fires at Wash-shee-shoe, can attest the truth of my remarks.

I therefore, Sir, take the liberty of calling your attention to the duty,—I should say the urgent duty,—of the Government at once to adopt measures to arrest as far as possible further destruction, and to preserve these very important sources of revenue to the Province of Quebec.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant.

P. A. TREMBLAY

For true copy, (see L. R. 2701,)

J. D. Ed. LIONAIS,

Secy. Dept. Agric. & Pub. Works.

EVIDENCE.

Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

PRUDENT FOURNIER, overseer of fisheries for the territory of Wash Shee-Shoe, doth depose and say :

I know that on the 4th July 1868, a small fire broke out at the place called Grand Wash-Shee-Shoe; which I think must have been lighted by one of Mr. Molson's employees. On the morning of the 5th, I called upon Mr. Molson, and having informed him that the lighting of a fire near the woods was in direct contravention of the Fishery act, he went to the place with his men to extinguish it, but the wind was too high. The ravages of this fire extended four leagues to the north and about twelve leagues to the east. It lasted eight days, and was still visible on the soil a month afterwards.

The fire communicated with the dwelling house of JOSEPH TANGUAY so rapidly that his family, another person and myself were compelled to seek refuge on a little island, where for three weeks we remained exposed to the greatest dangers and in want of almost everything; JOSEPH TANGUAY lost his all. The loss incurred by the Province by this conflagration is still more considerable, as these places were famous for their fur-bearing animals. The foxes, martens, otters, beavers and lynxes have for the most part been destroyed or chased away from their coverts.

Some of the skins of these animals were of great value; for example, that of the black fox brought as much as twenty six pounds and that of the northern marten was worth from five to seven dollars.

Some of the islands which lie along the coast were also stripped bare by this fire. The birds which resorted to them in great numbers have never returned. The locality ravaged by it was one of the greatest hunting grounds of the neighbourhood, and I do not believe that the damage caused to the Province will be made up in less than fifty years.

If the Government took measures to prevent the carelessness with which fires are lighted, and prohibited them being made in the woods, the inhabitants of the coast would gladly see the danger which constantly threatens them during the summer, lessened. The dwelling houses on the coast are exposed to destruction in the same manner as that of Joseph Tanguay, and the residents occasionally find themselves compelled to flee from them and endure great hardships, as occurred to us in the month of July 1868.

And the witness hath signed this 22nd March, 1869.

PRUDENT FOURNIER.

Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

JOSEPH TANGUAY, of the Parish of St. Valier, in the county of Bellechasse, fisherman, doth depose and say :

I am a fisherman at little Wash-shee-shoe under a licence granted me by the Government in conformity with the fishery laws. I fish in the river called the Grand Wash-shee-shoe, on the Labrador coast, and in two other small rivers adjoining. Under instructions from the Crown Land Department dated 17th June 1865, I was obliged to abandon my fishery in the Grand Wash-shee-shoe.

The Government has since leased the river to several persons who have been in the habit of fly-fishing it every year. My privileges on this river were taken from me, because the Government had decided that the river should thereafter be closed to net fishing.

On the fourth of July, eighteen hundred and sixty eight, a fire broke out on the Labrador coast, and on the evening of the fifth my house, shop, stable, oven, hangar, six barrels of salmon and every thing else I possessed, fell a prey to the flames. The loss which I sustained amounts to three hundred and twelve pounds currency, and I now find myself and family placed in a position of the greatest misery. After having lived twenty nine years on the Labrador coast with my wife and seven children, I am a complete stranger in Quebec without friends or employment ; I am also infirm and without the slightest means of subsistence.

The fire in question did not cease until it had burnt four leagues in a northerly and twelve in an easterly direction, and a month afterwards there was still fire on the ground in many places.

These fires not only destroy the forests but permanently injure the surface soil fit for agriculture. After the fire has passed over it, there remains nothing but a barren and desert waste. The Public domain suffered on that occasion considerable loss, as the localities were noted for being good hunting grounds. The foxes, martens, beavers, and lynxes have been for the most part destroyed or driven from their retreats. Some of their skins are of great value. I may instance that of the black fox which sells at twenty six pounds, and that of the northern marten which is worth from five to seven dollars.

Some of the islands along the coast were also laid waste on this occasion and the birds which repaired to them in great numbers now no longer return.

The forest destroyed was one of the best hunting grounds in the neighbourhood, and I think fifty years will not suffice to repair the damages caused by the fires in question to the Province.

The fire communicated so rapidly to my house that I had only time to convey my family to an adjacent island. Mr. Prudent Fournier, overseer of fisheries, and Théodule Pillote, fisherman, were with us. During three weeks we were exposed to the greatest danger, almost without means of subsistence.

M. Prudent Fournier was during this time debarred from following his occupation. The rapidity with which the fire spread and the critical position in which we, to the number of eleven persons were placed, are evils which may at any time befall the inhabitants of the coast.

The inhabitants of the coast are of opinion, as indeed I am myself, that strin-

gent regulations applying to persons who light fires or allow them to be lit imprudently in the woods. would be the best means of preventing these accidents.

And the witness having declared that he could not sign his name, has made his mark of a cross.

22nd March 1869.

his
JOSEPH TANGUAY.
mark

Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

FRANCOIS METIVIER, of Pash-a-Chibo, now of the City of Quebec, fisherman, doth depose and say:

I have been established for ten years at Pash-a-Chibo on the Labrador Coast, where I lived by hunting and fishing. I also kept a little store for the convenience of the Indians.

On the fourth of July last, being at Wash-shee-shoe, I met Mr. Hoffman, one of the employees of Thomas John Molson, who told me that he had just been getting artificial flies for his employer; the next day a fire reduced to ashes all the property of Joseph Tanguay, as well as my own. The loss which I suffered in consequence of this fire was very serious. My hunting and fishing grounds, my huts and boats and the goods in which I traded were all consumed; and I was compelled to come to Quebec with my family, where I now reside, without friends, work or the slightest means of subsistence. The loss I suffered by the fire amounts to £150 currency.

I had in my possession two barrels and a half of powder, and were it not that a means of escape remained to us in the proximity of a small island, I would have been in the greatest danger, as the fire completely surrounded us on the main land.

The fire did not cease until it had burnt four leagues in a northerly and about twelve leagues in an easterly direction. It lasted over eight days and for more than a month afterwards the remains of fire were still visible on the ground in many places.

These fires destroy not only the forests but burn and injure the surface soil which is fit for agriculture. After the passage of the fire what remains is a barren and desert waste.

The public domain suffered considerable loss in the cases I have mentioned, as those localities were noted hunting grounds, and the foxes, marten, mink, beaver and lynxes have been for the most part driven from their haunts.

Several islands along the coasts have been also laid waste, so that the birds return to them no longer.

The forest destroyed was one of the best hunting grounds on the Labrador coast, and I think that fifty years will not suffice to repair the damage sustained by the Province through this fire.

And the witness saith that he cannot sign his name and hath made his mark of a cross.

22nd March, 1869.

his
FRANCOIS X METIVIER.
mark

Legislative Assembly; Quebec.

JEAN BTE. FOURNIER, of the city of Quebec, navigator, doth depose and say :

Having been appointed overseer of fisheries for the river Mingan, I arrived there on the 15th June, 1868.

Towards the end of the month of June, seven persons came to fish in the river Mingan, under a permit from Mr. Witcher, Superintendent of fisheries. They ascended as high as the Mingan falls, of the same day, when they made a fire and camped. In the afternoon on the 4th July they made a second fire above the falls. One of the men informed me when I asked him, that he had set fire to the woods with a match while smoking.

All the parties above alluded to came down to the post, being compelled to do so by the fire.

During the same day it had already swept over a distance of from six to seven miles in the direction of the sea, and about thirty six to thirty seven miles toward the east.

This fire took place at the same time as one at Grand Wash-Shee-Shoe, which is situated at a distance of 60 miles from Mingan. These two fires ran in the direction of each other, and were within three leagues of meeting. If the wind had not ceased on the following day their ravages would have been more considerable. Had the wind been from the east, the post at Mingan and all the buildings of the Hudson's Bay Company would have been destroyed. The fires in question caused irreparable injury to hunters and consequently put a stop on that important part of the north shore to the fur trade and all communication with the Indians.

The Province suffered greater loss still by the fire at Mingan, as that district was covered with wood available for fishing establishments and fuel.

The foxes, otters, martens, beavers, lynxes, etc., for the skins of which high prices were obtained, were destroyed or forced to leave their retreats. Some of their skins are worth large sums ; for example that of the black fox sells for twenty six pounds, and that of the Northern marten sells at from six to seven dollars.

Some of the islands which are along the coast were also laid waste and the birds which resorted to them in large numbers forced to leave them ; the damage caused to the Province by these fires cannot be repaired within fifty years ; by them it was deprived of one of its best hunting grounds.

And the witness hath signed, 23rd March 1869.

JEAN-BAPTISTE FOURNIER

JOSEPH IGNACE LÉTOURNEAU, of the Parish of Ste. Anne des Monts, in the county of Gaspé, Farmer, doth depose and sag :

I reside in the Parish of Ste. Anne des Monts, near the church, but I hold land in the first range, in the western part of the parish. In the month of July 1867, (I cannot remember the date,)—the crops had been sown long previously for the grain was above ground and the hay was advanced,—a settler engaged in stumping and clearing part of his land which lies in the second range of the parish, lighted a fire for the purpose of burning the piles of branches and brushwood that he had collected.

This fire, favored by a light wind and fed by the dry branches and brushwood, very soon communicated to the surrounding vegetable matter. Before proceeding further I would add that a great drought had been felt in that part of the country, for at least a month. The fire soon attained very large proportions, and spread on the same day to the adjoining lands, consuming in its passage the fences, grain and hay, and leaving nothing behind it but ashes, waste and desolation.

Almost at the same time, a farmer of the second range in the same parish, near a place called *Echouevie*, also set fire to the brushwood on his land. The flames extended to the adjoining lands and woods. I know from a reliable source that the forest which extends to the river Lapierre, eleven leagues to the east, as far as Mechins, nine leagues to the west, and in depth as far as the third range, was almost wholly burnt down by that fire, which was only extinguished by the rain and snow in the fall. I may now add that a third fire was lighted about the same time in the Parish of Cap-Chatte. It spread to the neighbouring forest, and would soon have met the fires already mentioned raging in the woods. The latter fire consumed, in the parish of Cap-Chatte, houses, barns, a large number of fences, and great quantities of standing grain. In the township in which I reside, in the parish of St. Ann, more than one third of the standing grain was destroyed.

The amount of injury caused by such fires both to cleared and woodland is incalculable, and more than fifty years must elapse before its evil results will have entirely disappeared.

The forests in the neighbourhood of Ste. Anne des Monts and Cap-Chatte are very fine and generally contain hard wood, chiefly maple of a superior quality.

It is my opinion that during the summer months, say, from the 20th June to about the 15th of September no fires should be lighted on new lands whether for clearing them or for other purposes; because the fires which destroy the forests are generally lit by persons to clear the land of branches and brushwood and thence occasionally spread to the forests.

And the witness hath signed.

24th March, 1869.

JOS. IGNACE LETOURNEAU-

I have a knowledge of the foregoing facts, and finding them correctly stated I concur in the opinions therein expressed.

24th March 1869.

JOSEPH THIBAUT.

Teacher.

JOHN HOLLIDAY, Esquire, of Quebec, deposeth and saith :

I have been living at the river Moisie during the summer for the last ten years. During that time, several fires occurred in the woods in the neighbourhood of the river, owing to the carelessness of persons lighting fires, but more particularly in 1867, when a large portion of the woods on the west side of the river were burnt as well as a house and camp belonging to myself. This fire was owing to one of the work men employed by the Moisie Company not having extinguished a fire he had lighted for cooking purposes, which communicated to the

turf and set fire to the woods, the season having been very dry. On the east side of the river, at the same time, the woods were set on fire by a man burning the stumps of trees for clearing his ground, which communicated with the woods, destroying a large quantity of standing timber, two fishing camps of my own and a large portion of the plant of the Moisie Company and endangering the whole of their works; both these fires occurred at the same time, in the month of July.

In 1868, the Moisie Company set fire to the brush left on the ground from the wood cut for charcoal purposes; after burning the brush, the fire smouldered for some days in the turf until a heavy gale of wind rekindled the fire causing the destruction of a large quantity of wood cut by the Moisie Company and destroying five of their kilns, and again endangering the whole of their works.

From the time of the rising of the gale, the fire was fanned into an awful blaze in about ten minutes, and no human effort could then stop it.

The damage done to the Moisie Mining Company, to myself, to the fishermen of the Moisie and to the Province is incalculable, as the supply of wood for building, fishing and other purposes is very limited and cannot be replaced perhaps in a century.

I must add that during the two last seasons, some people set fire to the grass on the west side of the Moisie river. This fire was with great difficulty extinguished before it communicated to the whole of the fishing establishments erected on that side. I was in great danger of losing property to the value of more than two thousand pounds and my season's occupation.

I give it as my opinion that during the summer months, that is to say, from the 20th of June, till the 15th of September, there should be a law passed to prevent fires from being lighted on the land, among the brush cut down for clearing purposes, and also on the waste lands, and a clause ought to be inserted to the effect that people camping in, or in the vicinity of, the forest and lighting fires for cooking or other lawful purposes, be obliged to take every precaution to prevent them from spreading, and to extinguish them before they leave.

And the witness has signed.

24th March 1869.

JOHN HOLLIDAY.

E. GERIN, Editor of the "*Constitutionnel*," residing at the City of Three Rivers, doth depose and say:

I desire to make a simple observation suggested to me by the recent regulations respecting the timber trade.

It is stated in these regulations that pine logs of 13½ feet in length and less than 17 inches in their smallest diameter, shall be subject to a uniform rate of ten cents; the object of the law is evidently to protect the young pines as in the relations of the 5th October 1868, we find the following clause.

"It shall no longer be lawful to cut on Crown Lands pine trees having a lesser diameter than 12 inches on the stump."

The idea is excellent, but the uniform rate of ten cents, as several lumber merchants have observed to me, prevents the pine tops being made available, the duties eating up the profits.

I would therefore humbly suggest that the rate on the small logs taken from the pine tops be reduced, as otherwise the Government will lose revenue, and there will remain in the forest a quantity of combustible matter likely to lead to fires.

And the witness has signed.

24th March 1869.

E. GERIN.

LOUIS ADOLPHE ROBITAILLE, Esquire, for fourteen years an employee in the office of the Crown Lands, Superintendent of Woods and Forests, doth depose and say :

I am aware, since I have been in the public service, that fires have occurred in the woods almost every year, several of which have been truly disastrous, as they have destroyed, for hundreds of square miles, whole forests of pine and other timber, and in several instances logs, manufactured timber and the plant of the lumberers and occasionally also the houses and crops of settlers established in the vicinity.

The majority of these fires are due to the negligence either of individuals lighting fires in the vicinity of the forest to clear the land, or of persons lighting them within the forest itself to cook their food or to protect themselves from the flies.

It has also happened that settlers, to revenge themselves on lumber merchants holding limits in their neighbourhood, have made fires for the express purpose of destroying the timber on such limits.

At it is important to prevent as far as possible these fires, which threaten to lessen our forest wealth, I would recommend among other means, the appointment of wood-rangers who should constantly reside in the forest or its vicinity.

These wood-rangers would not only be useful in protecting the forest from the ravages of fire, but also against the depredation of persons cutting timber without license.

Among other efficacious means of arresting these fires, I would recommend to the Legislature the passing of a law prohibiting under the severest penalties, the lighting fires to clear land between the 15th or 20th of June and the middle of September, and obliging travellers in the woods to take all necessary precautions against the spreading of the fires which they light, and compelling them to extinguish such fire before they leave.

And the witness hath signed,

30th March, 1869.

L. A. ROBITAILLE.

Legislative Assembly, Quebec.

WILLIAM QUINN, of Quebec, Esq., Supervisor of Cullers, saith :

I have been Supervisor of Cullers for fourteen years, and I have been altogether forty two years continuously engaged in the lumber business.

I have never seen many fires actively in operation, but in travelling through the forest, I have seen whole districts lying waste through the effects of fires in the woods. Those fires consume all kinds of timber but more specially fire-trees, I have travelled through the St. Maurice District and the Ottawa District in the Province of Quebec, and pretty much over all the lumber Districts of the Province of Ontario.

It is my opinion, and I know that it is the opinion of most practical men with whom I have conversed on the subject, that during the last 20 years, there has been as much timber destroyed by fire caused by fires spreading into the forests from the clearances and by fires originating in the forests, as has been brought to market during that period. Many of those fires are caused by the culpable negligence of the people making clearances in the settlements, and by those engaged in the woods in the lumber business.

With a view to prevent in some measure a recurrence of those very destructive fires it would be well to prevent during the months of July and August, burning for making clearances, and it is my opinion that the Government ought to enact a law to compel people who are obliged to make fires in the woods for cooking or other useful purposes, to take every precaution to prevent those fires from spreading, and I am of opinion that the step that the Government has taken during last year for the granting of licenses, to cut timber on public lands, will have the effect of diminishing those fires to a large extent, on account of license holders having a greater interest in the preservation of the woods owing to the extension of the license.

Hard wood for exportation with the exception of birch, is completely exhausted in the Province of Quebec, as shown by the books of my office, an extract of which I now give for the last year.

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| Oak | 29 pieces..... | 694 feet |
| Elm | 12 “ | 511 “ |
| Ash | 67 “ | 2,399 “ |
| Basswood | 1 | 46 “ |

With regard to the pine forests, there is a very extensive belt of pine woods yet situated to the north, principally between the 47th and 49th degree north latitude, but it is diminishing fast, especially by fires. I cannot too much recommend to the Government the necessity of preserving the lumber for present and future requirements and I may add that it is my opinion that this belt of country in a general way is not adapted for farming purposes and therefore the following settlers to settle in most parts of the country referred to, is only causing the destruction of the timber without any corresponding benefit to them, or to the country at large.

And the witness has signed.

23rd March 1869.

Portneuf, 27th March, 1869.

TO DR FORTIN, M. P., Chairman of the Committee of the Legislative Assembly on woods and forests.

SIR,—I regret exceedingly that your request should have reached met at a time when a pressure of business scarcely permitted me to study the question submitted. I have to content myself therefore with stating some of the opinions which I have always entertained on the subject of that reckless extermination of our forests wealth which is now practised on all sides.

If it were only the pleasure afforded by the sight of a tree, there would be sufficient inducement to retain many of them in the fields and near our dwellings. What is more blank and monotonous than a landscape were nothing is seen above the horizon but the dreary and immovable structures which reflect back on one with double intensity the rays of an already burning sun. But the eye rests with pleasure on a maple, an elm, a birch, a balsam, &c., which afford shelter to the herds of cattle in the fields and cast a kindly shade over the cottage of the farmer. The mode of life, character and activity of the proprietor are to a certain degree represented in the luxuriant vegetation flourishing before his windows. Physiologists tell us moreover, that the leaves, those lungs of the vegetable world, carry off the gases which are noxious when too abundant, and supply us with those which are necessary. And if we revert to the subject of the wholesale stripping of all arborescent vegetation from the soil, practised in many places, we will find in it, without difficulty, the cause of more than one calamity which may hereafter befall our country, as the example of other countries proves. In countries denuded of timber, the rain water being no longer retained by the fallen leaves on the ground and protected from too rapid evaporation by the shade of the trees and bushes, instead of soaking drop by drop into the earth to refresh and revivify it, flows off immediately into the ditches, from the ditch it passes into the brook, and from the brook into the river which latter, if it be bordered by hills at all high, is after a few hours of steady rain converted into a raging torrent which leaves its bed to inundate the land, overthrow dwellings and sweep away cattle, &c. Such disasters have been experienced on the Chaudière, Nicolet, St. Francis and other rivers, and it is probable that we shall see their recurrence. And while the low lands along these rivers are submerged, the growing crops on the adjoining hills are perishing from drought, as the water has run off rapidly without penetrating the soil.

This denudation, in preventing the rain water from evaporating by its rapid flowing off to the rivers, also deprives the atmosphere of that degree of humidity which is necessary not only to the vigorous growth of vegetation, but also to the proper working of animal life both in man and beast.

I do not believe that I am mistaken either in stating that considering the shortness of our season of vegetation and the rapid development which characterises it in the Province of Quebec, our atmosphere requires for that very reason, a great deal of humidity and if, during our few months of rapid vegetation, we had an atmosphere warm and dry, like that for example of Missouri and Illinois, our cereals and fruits would not come to perfect maturity.

To this let there be added the scarcity of building material in certain places brought about by the commercial consumption made without discrimination, and the difficulty already felt in many quarters of procuring necessary fuel, &c., &c., and an idea can be formed of the serious consequences to which this denudation carried on blindly in so many localities will eventually lead.

Now as to the remedy for the evil. I must admit it is hard to find. Prizes offered to those planting their lands with trees, and the imposition of penalties on per-

sons damaging trees on the road side and the banks of streams might perhaps to a certain extent lead our farmers to pay more attention to the preservation in standing timber of a part of their too extensive properties, which they now work in so irrational a manner, and from which they draw profits small in proportion to those which might be derived from them under a better system of culture.

I beg of you, Mr. Chairman, and members of the Committee, kindly to excuse the hurried manner in which I have thrown together these ideas, upon which too, I have not had the time to reflect, but which I deem it my duty to give in return for the marked confidence the Committee have shewn in addressing me on the subject.

The whole very respectfully submitted.

L. PROVENCER, PRIEST.

Editor of the "Canadian Naturalist."

P. FORTIN Esq., M. P. P., Chairman of the Committee on woods and Forests

SIR.—You have done me the honor of requesting me in your letter of the 26th March to give you my opinion in writing respecting the injury occasioned by the reckless destruction of our forests at once to the Province and to private individuals.

You further desire to know if it would be expedient to prevent parties clearing their lands from burning stumps, &c. &c. between the 20th June and the 15th September.

The short time I have at my disposal in which to comply with the request of the Committee, does not permit me to say much on the subject; as you ask an immediate answer, I will therefore content myself with throwing out a few ideas intending to revert to the subject at a future time, if necessary, either by direct communication or through the *Gazette des Campagnes*, if my leisure admits.

I believe, as do many others, that this question of the destruction of our Canadian forests both as regards public wealth and agriculture, is entirely new. So long as the face of the country was covered with wood, there was no necessity of passing laws to preserve the forests.

The settler compelled to clear the land unceasingly in order to live, can not but begin to regard the forest as his greatest enemy. So much is this the case that he will not allow it to stand any where, even on rocks or rocky soil unsuitable for cultivation, where cattle might find a shelter against the inclemency of the weather or the heat of the sun, nor even around his dwelling to embellish as well as protect it.

To this, there are some exceptions no doubt, but they are few in number. The time has come when we must protect ourselves against the abuses of land clearing and against losses caused by fires carelessly lighted by hunters, &c., in the woods, during seasons of great drought.

The time has indeed arrived to take up this question which is one of great public interest, as it is an acknowledged fact to day, that the destruction of our forests has led to evil effects as well in regard of the population, as in regard of the soil, streams and water courses.

If Sully was justified in stating that France would one day suffer from the want of wood, this startling proposition applies with much greater force to Canada, the climate of which being more severe than that of France requires a much larger stock of fuel. The Legislature is right in taking up this important subject. To you, Mr. Chairman, is due the honor of having initiated an inquiry which will not fail to produce the best results. Very little time is left you, to bestow upon the subject that thorough study which is so necessary in order to lay down the basis of a law calculated to attain the desired end. But much has been effected by drawing the attention of the public to the matter. During the recess, all may collect information, and during the next session of your committee, you may present to the Legislature a bill for the prevention of all the abuses now complained of.

With respect to the question as to whether it would be expedient to prevent parties clearing land by means of fire between the 20th of June and 15th of September. I unhesitatingly reply that it would. This prohibition should in my opinion be extended to parties travelling through the woods for the purposes of fishing, hunting or for cutting birch and hemlock bark. Severe penalties should also be imposed, to prohibit the cutting down of birch trees to obtain the bark because it is useless destruction. Once the birch is tripped of its bark, it will never grow again. Hemlock bark is of too much value to leave it to the caprice or ignorance of the first comer. Great ravages have been committed in our forests in this respect. It is time to take the subject into consideration. The Americans have probably laws to enforce its judicious use. Information on the matter could be obtained from old countries. Their forest regulations should be studied and particularly those of France. I am informed that the *Revue Canadienne* of Montréal has in its issue of November 1868, published an excellent article on the destruction of our forests.

The short notice you gave me prevents me from saying anything further on the subject. I have however given you a proof of my willingness to afford what information lies in my power.

Believe me Mr. Chairman, yours very sincerely,

F. PILOTE,
PRIEST.

Montreal, 27th March, 1869.

SIR.—In reply to your letter of the 27th instant, I feel it my duty to answer as correctly as I can the three questions you have submitted to me. And first respecting the rise and fall of the waters of the river St. Lawrence. I am of opinion that the fall is mainly due to the extent of territory exposed to the rays of the sun, which absorb all the water that the soil formerly retained previous to the trees being cleared away; and that from the works which must have been carried out to drain and carry off the water from the land to the rivers, is due the swelling of the stream in the early spring, as the water instead of flowing off gradually as in the past, comes down all at once. Owing to this, the water becomes very low in summer, if the drought is any way long continued. I must state however, that forty years ago, I saw Lake St. Peter as low as 9½ feet in the channel. I have never seen it since lower than 10 feet, even in the greatest drought.

Secondly with reference to the damage done by the ice every spring, I must inform you that for the past fifty five years I have navigated the river between Quebec and Montreal, and during that period I have observed much change in the

ravages committed by the ice; all or almost all the islets which are and should continue to be the ornaments of our fine river, between the two cities are more or less denuded of trees by the spring ice, several entirely so. I have remarked that this denudation is early increasing and it is my sincere conviction that the whole thing is due to the western country being stripped of trees which causes the snow to thaw more rapidly than when it was wooded. The great quantity of water, coming down all at once forces the ice to descend before it has been sufficiently weakened by the action of the sun, and as nothing can resist its force, everything in its passage must give way. I may instance several of our islands which have by this means lost all their fine timber.—Lavaltrie Island, Bature Bigot Island, where nothing but a few small branches remain. Citrouille Point is in the same condition, as are a host of other places where considerable damage is annually done by the ice.

Thirdly, with reference to the fall of the waters in winter. I must say I never gave the point much serious consideration. They are almost always at the same level, that is to say, they are almost at autumn level. They rise considerably when the ice takes at the beginning of winter, but during the latter season, the fall again to nearly the autumn level. Sometimes, with heavy rains in winter, they also rise a little.

The whole respectfully submitted.

P. COTTÉ.

About five years since I went on an expedition up the Ottawa and Matawan rivers through Trout lake to lake Nipissing. We procured canoes at Fort William above Pembroke and having hired canoe-men proceeded slowly up the river Ottawa as far as Fort Matawan, where we left the Ottawa. We then turned up the river Matawan. Our expedition was intended to be a sporting one, but there was little game in the woods as the fires had swept through them, and the same cause rendered camping disagreeable, as we could with difficulty find a spot at night fit for camping on which the fire had not passed. There were very few settlers in the country we visited, perhaps three or four for the last eighty miles, before we reached Fort Matawan; they were planted on the south bank of the Ottawa and their real business was whiskey selling, not farming. There were proofs along our entire route of fearful conflagrations, one of which appeared to have been unusually disastrous as the soil had been burnt, the trees charred and the rocks split or calcined. I was informed that this fire originated near Lake Nipissing, and taking a north east course for eighty miles it then reached the Ottawa, and though the river is wide at that spot, the fire crossed it at a bound and rushed on in a line north east into the wilderness. When on the Matawan a decent looking old man came to our camp in great grief. He said his timber limits, including his shanty supplies, besides a large quantity of square and all his standing timber, had been destroyed by fire. It appeared that one of the whiskey sellers wished to clear an acre of land for turnip sowing in August; he therefore set fire to his small chopping during the dry season, and that fire spread to the timber limits.

The loss sustained by the party who complained to us, he estimated at forty thousand dollars, but as the standing pine forest was burnt the loss to the Government must have far exceeded that sum on the limits in question; and as that fire extended over a large area of country it is impossible to calculate the amount of timber limits rendered worthless.

My impression is that within a few years the pine forests of Canada will have ceased to exist, and an important source of revenue will be lost to the country, unless the executive be armed with extraordinary powers of arresting and punishing those who through design or ignorance cause fires in the woods. Circumstantial evidence can always be procured, though direct proof may be impossible, unless the offender confesses.

Large powers of repression ought therefore to be vested in some parties, and no better conservators could be found than the lumber merchants and limit owners. Let the selling of whiskey in the interior be punishable as a criminal offence, and the result would be the expulsion of those miscreants from the lumber regions into which they have penetrated, under the false pretence of being settlers intending to cultivate the soil.

SYDNEY BELLINGHAM.

Montreal, 30th March, 1869.

P. FORTIN, Esq., M. P. P., Chairman of the Committee for the preservation of the Forests, Quebec.

SIR.—Your note of the 27th instant was received yesterday. In reply, I beg to state, in answer to your questions, that I have remarked, that the water in the St. Lawrence, has not been so high during the last few years, as I have seen it heretofore, particularly in the fall and winter, and I agree with many others that I have spoken to upon the subject, that it is in a great measure caused by the clearing of lands, drainage, and further cultivation. As to the amount of damage the country sustains on account of it, I am not in a position to know, but have no doubt it must be considerable.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your very obedient and humble servant,

A. M. RUDOLF,
Harbor Master.

Three Rivers, 30th March, 1869.

Dear Sir:—In answer to the questions forwarded in your letter, under date of the 23rd inst. I would say, that, several extensive fires have occurred in the pine regions of the St. Maurice Territory, within the last fifteen or twenty years. It is estimated that about one third of the pine contained in the St. Maurice Territory has been destroyed by fires. The localities principally suffering were the Croche, the Bostonnais and the Rat-Rivers; part also of the Matawan has been much injured. It is difficult to estimate the loss to the country, caused by these fires, and two million dollars would not cover that loss on the St. Maurice. It is hardly pos-

sible to devise a successful method of preventing the occurrence of fires in the pine regions. These fires are principally caused by hunters, and by drivers kindling fires to banish the flies, and then leaving the locality without extinguishing them. One good result might be expected from the prohibition of hunting either by Indians or white men, near the pine regions from the 1st of May to the 1st of October and to prohibit drivers from lighting fires, except for cooking purposes, and then, impose a fine and imprisonment for the neglect of extinguishing such fires when leaving the locality where they had been kindled. Fires seldom run in hardwood countries, so there is little danger of fire clearing hardwood lands.

As to other methods of preserving our pine forests, the rule imposed by the C. L. D. of not cutting pine under 12 inches diameter, is a good one, and if the duty on square timber were increased, it might lessen that most destructive method of manufacturing pine, and help to conserve the timber for the use of saw-mills, as they furnish more labour and that the year round, than does the manufacture of square timber.

I have the honor to remain,

Your obt. Servant,

R. LANIGAN.

P. FORTIN, Esq. M. P.

ETIENNE MATHIEU, Esquire, M. P. P., of the Parish of Lachenaie, in the County of l'Assomption, land-owner and farmer, doth depose and say:

I have been a farmer for the last forty years, and have at present 3600 acres of land under cultivation.

I have occasion to be acquainted with the injurious effects of denudation on my own property and in my own and surrounding parishes. I am of opinion that a farm deprived of trees does not provide for grain, standing crops generally and for cattle, that shelter which is necessary for their protection against the strong winds and heat of the sun during summer. The injurious effects of this denudation make themselves also felt during the winter, as on a farm devoid of trees the wind sweeps off the snow and exposes to the frost the grass beneath, which suffers much in consequence, and the land is thus deprived of one essential protection against the rigors of the season, and at the same time of a fertilizing agent, the importance of which cannot be denied.

I am strongly of opinion that the government should take up this question of the denudation of the timber in the older parishes situated in the valley of the St. Lawrence and adopt measures to obviate the great inconvenience which it causes in those localities both to agriculture and stock-raising.

I think the Government should encourage in every possible way the planting of trees and arboriculture generally; I would recommend among other things that the agricultural societies should be enjoined to grant prizes to those farmers making the best and finest plantations on their lands, in consideration of the benefits which agriculture will derive from their so doing.

And the witness hath signed,

31st March 1869.

ETN. MATHIEU, M. P. P.

JOHN POUPORE, M. P. P., for the county of Pontiac, saith :

I am now and have been a resident on the Ottawa River for the past twenty five years. During the whole of that period I have been engaged in the timber trade. I am intimately acquainted with the white pine forests of the Ottawa and its tributaries, and I can speake with confidence of the extent of territory from time to time ravaged by fire and of the value of the standing timber destroyed. In many of my exploratory trips through the forest I have traversed miles upon miles of territory once thickly studded with valuable timber now nothing but a burnt barren waste, presenting nothing to the eye but a stunted undergrowth of popular or other valueless wood and blankened and charred stumps. Indeed go in whatever direction you will throughout the forests in the Ottawa and its tributaries, and every few miles will bring you in presence of the traces of these fires.

The causes of these fires speaking in general terms are two fold :

1st. The spreading of fires kindled for the purpose of clearing land.

2nd. The carelessness of persons engaged in driving timber or exploring for timber.

To show how the carelessness of a single individual may be productive of great loss I may mention the case of a tourist who, last summer, visited the upper part of the inhabited part of my country and for the novelty of the thing decided upon "camping out." He did so and on leaving in the morning neglected to extinguish his camp fire. The ground being very dry and inflammable material every where about, this fire spread with great rapidity and utterly destroyed hundred of square miles of valuable timber territory. Again I have heard on good authority of a case illustrative of the other class of causes as occuring also in the county of Pontiac. A fisherman living on the banks of the Contecaferna Lake, in order to comply with the settlement conditions under which he held his lot of land, availed himself of the very dry state of the earth last summer to burnt a piece of land he desired to clear. This fire spread for miles and a belt of the very finest pine forest perhaps in the world, (about 25 miles long by 6 or 8 miles wide) was utterly destroyed. Again when the lumbermen are engaged in driving timber or logs : at noon, they frequently build a fire for the purpose of making tea and neglect to extinguish it. These fires often spread for miles upon miles.

These cases are merely intended as illustrative and not as indicating all the causes of these fires. As to the remedy, my opinion arrived at after careful consideration of the subject with Messrs. Bryson & Church, and with a keen appreciation of the difficulties of the case, will be found subjoined.

I would divide the Legislation required on this subject into two classes.

1st. That required to prevent fires within the new townships, where land is being cleared and 2nd, that to prevent fires in the timber forest.

To prevent the first we would suggest that it should be absolutely forbidden to set fires for the purpose of clearing land from and after the 20th June until the 1st September : that an infraction of this law should be punishable by a fine say of \$20 for each offence and in default of payment three months imprisonment, that it should be the duty of the mayor of each municipality under a penalty of \$5, for each neglect of duty, to that persons offending were brought to trial where the preliminary, facts were made known to him by any resident voter in that municipality.

To prevent the second we would suggest that if it can be shown that any of such fires had been caused through the gross neglect of proper precaution or through the carelessness of any lumberman, his agents or workmen, where

engaged either in driving timber or logs or in exploring for timber, such lumber man shall be liable towards those parties whose limits shall have been injured by such fire and the Lieutenant Governor in Council should be empowered to confiscate on good proof his limit or limits on the river where the fire occurs, and the limit sold, and out of the proceeds the persons injured reimbursed their loss according to the sufficiency of the moneys arising from such confiscation and sale.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN POUPORE.

Three Rivers, 31st March, 1869.

P. FORTIN, Esq., M. P. P.

SIR.—I am in a position to state that every year fires more or less extensive occur in the St. Maurice Territory. They almost always break out at the time settlers are clearing their lands or burning their choppings and generally originate accidentally. Sometimes however, they are the results of unpardonable carelessness on the part of settlers. For nearly a month, I was compelled to keep 40 men in the woods to save some cordwood which we had left there, and on two occasions, we were obliged to work both night and day to save the village of Radnor from the flames. It was in 1860 or 1863, that the most disastrous conflagration occurred—the destroying element sweeping over an area of several leagues, and consuming all the houses, barns, etc. it met in its passage. A woman and her child perished in the flames. Several other persons narrowly escaped a similar death, with injuries more or less serious.

I am of opinion that you cannot too strongly advise the passing of as wise and important a law as that suggested in your letter prohibiting settlers from setting fire to their choppings between the months of June and September. There exists no necessity on their part to burn during the time in question. Such a law would protect the Government and private individuals from much loss.

A law to punish those lighting *camp fires* and leaving them unextinguished would be very desirable, as frequently, the Government is subjected to considerable loss through the negligence of *voyageurs* and others in the habit of traversing the woods, the only difficulty being to reach the guilty parties.

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient and humble servant,

A. LARUE,

Proprietor of the Forges

Mr. ABBÉ OVIDE BRUNET, residing in the City of Quebec, Professor or Botany in the Laval University since 1858, doth depose and say.

Respecting the cause of the destruction of the forests of Canada, many cases of fires occurred to my knowledge during a stay of several years in the country.

In many cases they originated from timber cut down during the time of clearing the land, being set fire to, at periods of drought during the summer. Many of these fires extended to the neighbouring settlements destroying, in their course, forests, sugaries, standing crops and dwelling houses.

Since then in the course of my botanical studies, I have ascertained from various reports published by order of the Government and from many well informed persons that certain parts of Canada, particularly the Saguenay district, had been laid waste by extensive conflagrations.

Respecting the means to be taken to remedy this state of things, I am of opinion that it would be expedient, 1o. to fix a certain time of the year at which it would be unlawful to set fire to felled timber, in clearances; 2o. to require great precaution in parties travelling through the bush to hunt or fish, &c. &c., in the lighting of fires.

QUESTION OF DENUDATION.

All agree on this head that the greatest wealth of the country lies in the products of our forests. These products consist principally in building timber, furniture timber, and in that which is so largely exported from the ports of Quebec every year. All acknowledge also that certain species of valuable timber are disappearing with great rapidity. I could point out many important kinds which in a few years will be completely exhausted. Let me add to this that cordwood is becoming dearer and dearer every year, because it is becoming rarer and rarer. I may be allowed to cite here an extract from a lecture I delivered before the Historical Society some years ago.

"Wood, this fuel so essential in a country unprovided with coal, and in which the houses have to be heated during seven months of the year, is disappearing with such rapidity as to call for the interference of the Legislature.

"In certain parishes the inhabitants are obliged to go more than six leagues for a load of wood. We will soon be compelled to recruit our forests, and make new plantations in places where they have been destroyed through the carelessness of land holders, the timber being cut down without discrimination throughout the whole of the land."

The following means should be adopted to remedy this state of things.

1o. When Government concedes land, it should require the settler to preserve a certain number of acres in standing timber. There are always on every lot certain parts unsuitable for cultivation; for example, rocky portions which cannot be made available. The grantee should be permitted to select the part of the forest to be so reserved.

2o. As for the older settlements I would recommend the Government to encourage by every means in its power, arboriculture, either by planting trees or by means, of nurseries, and also to grant prizes to the settler of a parish or county raising a plantation on his land.

3o. To establish a short course of arboriculture, or the art of cultivating trees in all the agricultural schools of the province and also in the Normal schools, in which for many years past the study of agriculture has formed part of the course. This subject might be taught in fifteen or twenty lessons, which would take up but little of the pupil's time. A small forest school should be attached to all these institutions, as is now the case in many parts of Europe. I mean by "forest school" to set aside a certain extent of land, say, an acre for nursing, training, grafting and transplanting trees.

I would insist on this latter idea, as our farmers have no knowledge of the proper time of sowing, nor of the lands that are suitable to the various trees nor of the care required to prevent the young plants from perishing.

They are even ignorant of the manner of planting trees.

40. If the Government hereafter decides to have forest reserves in our wild lands, I would suggest that the said reserves be known as "crown reserves" and that the employees who survey every year the Crown Lands, should establish by their reports the quality of the soil and the nature of the various species of trees growing upon the lands which they so survey: As already stated, certain portions of land deemed unfit for cultivation will become very valuable if allowed to remain in standing timber. I am also of opinion that the study of Natural History is now sufficiently far advanced in this country, that surveyors should be required to possess a knowledge of that branch of science.

And the witness hath signed;

Québec, 1st April 1869.

OVIDE BRUNET,
Priest.

Legislative Assembly, }
2nd April 1869. }

Committee Room No. 23.

Members present: Mr. FORTIN, Chairman.

Hon. " OUMET, Atty. Gen.

" HEMMING,

" BELLINGHAM,

" TREMBLAY.

" ROY,

CHARLES TIMOTHÉ DUBÉ, Physician, residing at Trois Pistoles, in the county of Temiscouata, and Crown Lands agent for the territories of the Lower St. Lawrence, doth depose and say:

I have been aware that for many years past extensive conflagrations have swept the forests, particularly those of Trois Pistoles, in 1857 and 1858, when an area of woodland, eight miles by fifteen, was entirely destroyed. The parishes of Trois Pistoles, St. Eloi and Ste. Françoise will soon be without firewood and timber for building purposes through the above mentioned calamities, which at the time in question destroyed the standing crops and burnt every thing, including grain, hay and dwelling houses.

The conflagration in question was due to a settler of St. Eloi lighting a fire to clear his land. It was in the month of July and there had been dry weather for at least three or four weeks. I am not aware of any fires in the woods caused by lightning. I maintain that the fault is chiefly due to the negligence of persons clearing land and traversing the forest. This negligence is so prevalent among land clearers that very often instead of checking the fires when they could easily do so, they allow them to extend, and I have seen cases in which parties clearing land seeing the danger that threatened their properties managed to arrest the des-

truction threatened by their own fires. In general when the forest is in question they seem perfectly indifferent, and will neither handle an axe nor raise a helping hand to arrest the progress of the flames. Frequently parties, passing through the forest, take pleasure in setting fire to birch or other trees, not giving a thought, after their departure, to the danger to which they expose the whole surrounding country.

A law imposing severe penalties should be passed, 1o, to prohibit the setting fire to choppings, &c., between the 20th June and the 15th September, as this is the period of the greatest summer drought and there is quite sufficient time in the remainder of the year for the clearing of land; 2o. to compel parties who are much in the woods to light their camp fires only after they have cleared a space for them to extinguish them before their departure from the spot.

The system of wholesale denudation has caused great damage to the settlers, as it removes firewood to a distance from them, and is at the same time prejudicial to agriculture. Government would act wisely in reserving for the future certain lots in wood, on lands hereafter to be conceded. These lots might be selected on lands unfit for cultivation. To strip the land is simply to create a desert, while it is very easy to economize the forest and derive benefit from it.

It is with pleasure that I cite the following fact to show the advantage of recruiting the forest on lands which carelessness had completely denuded. A resident of Trois Pistoles allowed a large maple grove measuring six acres in superficies to grow up on his land. He now obtains every year from his plantation fifteen hundred pounds of sugar; the quantities of dead boughs and branches are nearly sufficient to heat his house, so that these six acres of land produce are revenue of one hundred and twenty dollars a year, besides other advantages which may hereafter be expected.

CHS. T. DUBÉ.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON FIRES IN THE FOREST.

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| 1o. Approximate area of the Province of Quebec..... | Acres. 129,000,000 |
| 2o. Area under cultivation; about..... | Acres. 6,000,000 |
| 3o " covered by lakes, rivers, marshes, &c. &c. about..... | 3,000,000 |
| 4o. Area of rocky soil uncultivated, such as the steppes of Labrador..... | 20,000,000 |
| | 29,000,000—29,000,000 |
| 5o. Area of land in wood..... | 100,000,000 |
| 6o. Area of land more or less suitable for cultivation covered with hard wood, mixed wood, cedar, spruce, pine and alder, &c | 25,000,000 |

The destruction of the forests caused by fires, has been and is still the subject of animadversion in the reports of many of the surveys ordered by the Crown Lands in various sections of the Province. These fires are generally of more frequent occurrence in lands covered with mixed timber, and are very often due to the negligence of hunters, and new settlers who set fire to the felled wood at very unseasonable times, and to persons examining the forests for good farming land to settle on.

C. L. D. Quebec, 2nd April 1869.

JOSEPH BOUCHETTE,
D. A. G.

C. L. D. Quebec, 2nd April 1869.

MY DEAR DOCTOR FORTIN.—I sent you under cover this morning my answers to the questions of the Committee respecting fires in the woods. I should inform you that I only gave approximate figures but they do not vary much from the exact quantities. The accuracy of these data can only be ascertained by a cadastral plan of the country, and a more accurate knowledge of its extent, a thing we may hope to see realized next century.

Requesting your favorable consideration to this memorandum,

Believe me to be,

Dear sir,

Your obt. servt.

JOSEPH BOUCHETTE.

CHARLES ROY, M. P. P., residing in the Parish of Ste. Anne des Monts, in the County of Gaspé, deposeseth and saith :

I may begin by stating that, as a general rule, the great recklessness with which in our time the work of denudation is carried on in all parts of the Province, demands the serious attention of all interested in the future of the country. Very few so far have taken up this question, but we should not conclude from this fact that it is a subject of no importance. On the contrary the few who have already written upon the subject have shewn without contradiction, the disastrous results which must at no distant date follow the inconsiderate waste of timber on our land if immediate measures are not adopted to remedy the abuses now threatening our forests with total annihilation. I exceedingly regret that such an important question should not have before this time been made the subject of special legislation. Fires in the woods, the lumber trade and clearances are the chief causes of the stripping of our forests. They are also the principal features, which should form the subjects of the committee's inquiries.

As the short time left at my disposal prevents me from treating in detail each of these subjects, I will simply state them, and confine myself for the present to a few remarks on the question of fires. Fires in our woods must be considered not only as a source of great injury to the lumber trade and as detracting from the value of the public domain, not solely in connection with the future wants of the country, but also from the stand point of colonization.

I do not hesitate to say that these fires are a serious impediment to settlers

and to the developement of some localities ; it is as much the duty of statesmen and traders as it is of settlers, to unite their efforts for their prevention.

To give feeble idea of the calamitous results of fires in the woods, I will cite but two facts within my own knowledge, one of which I had the honor to communicate to the Honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands in August, 1867. The following is an extract from the letter which I addressed to him on that occasion.

" A most disastrous conflagration has ravaged our shores (County of Gaspé) between l'Anse à la Croix, in the township of Cherbourg and the Rivière à la Pierre, in the Seigniory of Montlouis, a distance of sixty nine miles. I have just gone over the burnt district and have visited myself the majority of the settlers who have suffered—over a hundred families, to day in a complete state of destitution and threatened with great hardships. The aggregate of the loss, considering the means of the sufferers, is enormous. A considerable number of settlers have lost their all, crops, buildings and household goods ; above two thousand acres of pasture and meadow lands have been completely swept over by the fire, and about two thirds of the fences, within its range have been destroyed, and an area of over two hundred thousand acres forest has been entirely ruined. But of all the losses, that involving the most painful consequences, is the destruction of 1273 bushels of sown grain, the sole means and hope of the settlers.

" The following are the names of the townships ravaged by the fire, with the number of buildings and quantity of grain consumed in each.

| | Buildings. | Bushels. |
|-------------------|------------|----------|
| " Cherbourg..... | 4 | 85½ |
| " Dalibert..... | 3 | 113 |
| " Romien..... | 11 | 258 |
| " Cap-Chatte..... | 3 | 542 |
| " Tourelle..... | 4 | 166 |
| " Christie..... | 2 | 57 |
| " Duchesnay..... | 1 | 52 |
| Total. | 28 | 1273½ |

" Judging the handsome return of the handful of grain, which escaped the fire, the harvest promised to be very abundant here this year. Supposing even that the year's return did not exceed the average of the last five years, namely, a little less than ten bushels for each bushel sown, the actual loss to the settlers, would not the less be that of a harvest of from 12,000, to 13,000 bushels of grain of all kinds. This is an enormous loss, as I have already said, and the more serious, that from the destruction of such a quantity of grains, followed also by that of fodder, a thing always scarce here, and the almost absolute dearth of which this year, will necessitate the slaughter of a great part of the cattle. The effects of this sad calamity, from which so large a number of settlers are to day the victims, will be felt for a long time to come."

I may further mention the extent of devastation which has been committed in the forests of a part of the Matapédiac Valley.

In October last, I was specially ordered by the honorable the Commissioner of Crown Lands to explore a part of that valley so important both from its situation on the line of the Intercolonial Railway and the richness of its soil.

I do not exaggerate in stating that in that part of the Matapédiac valley to the east of the Lake and along the line of the river which bears the same name, there

is an area for a thousand miles of forest totally destroyed. This destruction dates back several years, as the young growth of all kinds which to day replaces the full grown forest tress which formerly clothed the land, has already attained an average height of from seven to eight feet. It would be difficult to form an approximate idea of the enormous quantity of valuable timber of all kinds, which has been destroyed in that locality. Pine, spruce, birch, maple and cedar are still to be found in abundance on the few spaces untouched by the fire. Every where the timber was of large growth. The average diameter of the immense quantity of trunks of trees, which to day encumber the soil, is from twenty to thirty inches, I even met with some measuring from thirty to forty.

From all the information furnished me on the spot. I can state that the forests of the Metapediac valley, were formerly regarded as inexhaustible, and supplied during many years a great quantity of superior timber to foreign markets. It is useless to add that this branch of industry is no longer pursued, as from the destruction of the timber necessarily followed the suspension of the *chantiers*. a suspension which, apart from every other commercial consideration, has had for immediate result the throwing out of employment, the majority of the fisherman residing in the neighbourhood of Bay Chaleurs, who were in the habit of working in those establishments during the winter season. As to the means, which I consider calculated to obviate accidents by fire in the woods, I may divide them into three heads.

10. To prohibit settlers from setting fire to choppings or brushwood, to clear the land during summer droughts, say for example, between the 20th June and the 15th September.

20. To prescribe that camp fires should be let as experience dictates so that they should not communicate with the mosses, bushes, dead branches or combustible substances of any kind, likely to feed them, and to oblige persons lighting these fires to completely extinguish them before leaving.

30. To compel, in this connection *habitués* of the woods, under a severe penalty, to abstain from setting fire to them for amusement, as has been often done.

I am of opinion that the Government should encourage the planting of trees. For this purpose it might grant prizes to those who best stock certain parts of their land with the finest specimens. A nursery attached to the Normal and Agricultural schools would contribute, on the other hand, to speard useful ideas as to the value and care to be given to other products. From the adoption of these two measures, there would result a favorable change in popular opinion regarding the wealth which the forest contains.

I am altogether in favor of the system of reserves, in certain wooded districts in granting of land to private individuals or to companies. It is admitted that many parts of the country are unsuitable for agriculture and to strip them of their trees is to render them useless, while it would be very easy to allow them to remain permanently wooded and thus gradually obtain from them their natural products.

2nd April.

C. F. Roy, M. P. P.

BENJAMIN SULTE, of Three Rivers, journalist, doth depose and say :

I think that the question of fires in the woods is one of great importance, and your Committee will be led through it to take into full consideration all the

damages, which an inconsiderate stripping of the land, either by fire or by the axe, occasion the Province.

My experience derived from a careful study of the management of forests in various parts of the world, leads me to state that immense losses both to the state and to private individuals result from that species of indifference manifested by our population on the score of the preservation of our wood lands. Some years ago I was struck with this state of things and I published several articles tending to point out the evil to those at the helm, as I was thoroughly persuaded that it would be useless to wait until the people themselves would take up arms against the causes of the disasters which are gradually consuming one great source of the public wealth. Though little known or understood at present, the question of denudation is nevertheless one of the most vital to the Province of Quebec. The government of United Canada appears to have been impressed with its importance, for at the time I gave the press the above mentioned articles, the Bureau of Woods and Forests asked me for them ; but the Confederation of the Canadian Provinces having taken place shortly afterwards, no further step was taken on the subject which now falls within the scope of the Provincial Legislatures.

On the subject of fires in the woods, I believe I am perfectly, correct in stating that they destroy ten times more timber than the axe of the lumberer by the settler. Their ravages are such that vast areas of land are suddenly converted into deserts and remain for a great number of years in a state of sterility, defying all attempts at cultivation. Not only does the timber but imperfectly and very slowly reproduce itself, but the properties of the soil, in so far as the use whic may be made of them for agricultural purposes is concerned, are entirely destroyed. Without entering into full details respecting these unfortunate conflagrations, it is impossible to point out all their extent and consequences. From the summit of the mountains which border the St. Maurice and Ottawa rivers, I have at one time seen six or seven large fires separately carrying on their ravages in the most fertile valleys. Wherever these fires pass, either the Province or individuals, or both suffer losses which may be called irreparable, considering the intensity and ordinary results of the scourge. In certain cases, I have seen as much as twenty leagues of country laid waste and rendered unfit for agriculture or any other species of industry. This leaves out of sight too the enormous loss which the Province incurred from the destruction of the timber. From the evidence I have collected of the manner in which fires communicate to the woods, I draw the following conclusion :

1o. Voyageurs passing through wooded districts, are in the habit of lighting fires carelessly to cook their victuals and for other purposes and of going away without extinguishing them, so that these fires, fauned by the wind or free to spread among the bushes which closely surround them, occasion conflagrations which extend with great rapidity and occasion disastrous results.

2o. Settlers evince more anxiety to clear the arable land than to preserve the woods lying beyond their respective concessions, and therefore do not hesitate to make fires during the season of drought and allow them to spread. From this carelessness arise the majority of accidents in respect of which your Committee seek information. Unavoidable accidents, as those arising from lightning, are exceedingly rare, as usually rain falls at the same time and extinguishes the flames. Negligence is the cause of seven eighths of the damage which the forest annually sustains.

To obviate all such disasters, it is sufficient to prescribe the conditions upon which fire should be lit in the woods and the clearings of settlers, and to prohibit the making of fires to clear the land during the heats of summer.

There is proof positive that the forests of the Province of Quebec disappear in a measure so disproportionnate to their growth or actual reproduction that they

will not long continue to supply the important demands which fuel, manufacture and trade make upon them. In many localities the timber is entirely gone. There remains not a vestige of the forest and the time has come when it is necessary to think of replanting especially localities unserviceable for agriculture and which should have been preserved in timber either as public or private property. Parishes are frequently to be met with in the Province from which the forest has been removed back six or seven leagues, yet the inconvenience resulting from this state of things does not prevent the settlers from continuing the destruction of all the standing timber at that distance. In parishes, some settled within fifteen years, it is to my knowledge that numerous requests have been addressed to the agents of the Crown Lands for new grants of timber lots, the original lots conceded, having been stripped to the very last tree and their proprietors being without fire wood to warm their houses. If this course is continued, we shall soon reach the forests contiguous to the borders of the United States and the frozen wilderness of the North.

On the other hand the hard woods used in carriage making and in various other branches of industry have almost entirely disappeared from the vicinity of the settlements, and the difficulty of procuring such timber of Canadian growth compels our manufacturers to import it from foreign countries. Respecting the lumber generally, it is equally obvious that the extent of territory, destroyed by fire without the slightest benefit to any one, places us in a critical position, as the belt of forest separating us from the region of the north is much narrower than popular belief would have it. That destruction of timber from twenty to thirty leagues in length by five or eight in breadth, which we have seen occur through fires every year, constitutes a serious public calamity. Under the most favorable conditions the Canadian forest renews itself every twenty years, but when it has been swept away by fire, half a century is scarcely sufficient for its reproduction and its power of contributing again its share to the public revenue. In a country deriving its principal source of revenue from the lumber trade, when the severity of the climate demands imperiously that fuel should be at a low price, there is every reason to believe that the annihilation of this natural production is prejudicial to the best interests of the Province. The Governments of almost all countries protect their forest resources by means of severe and comprehensive laws, and economists have demonstrated the serious extent of injury which a war against the forest, as I may characterize our Canadian system, produces upon agriculture, navigation, manufactures &c. Daily experience proves the wisdom of these laws and justifies the alarm of economists.

More than other countries perhaps, is the Province of Quebec placed in a condition demanding the watchful attention of its Government, in regard of the use which is being made of its public and private forests. The day is not far distant when the dearth of wood must necessarily affect the welfare of the population in a degree of which it is easy to form an idea, since the forest supplies most of the wants of the people of this Province. For the future, should not the grantees of our wild lands be compelled to allow a portion of the forest which they undertake to clear to remain standing? The grant might include a description of the reserve lot the lumber on which should always remain untouched. Of course, care would be taken that the land least fit for cultivation, should be so set aside. Such a system could be easily carried out. It also possesses the advantage of preventing the stripping of lands unadapted to agriculture, from which the timber is now removed for the paltry profit derived from it. In these reserves and those which the Government might make on its own account, the mode of stripping called "*coupe réglée*" would suit admirably. It consists in placing the cuttings side by side, that is to say, a twenty second part of the reserve is cut down annually, without ever passing the line which marks each twenty second division. In this way the wood-cutter finds himself constantly with a new forest before him and neither he nor his child-

ren have reason to apprehend the danger now menacing us. Imagine what a benefit it would be to have in proximity to parishes and towns well managed forests capable in good or bad seasons of ever meeting the demand for fuel ; it was easy, and it is still possible to realize this miracle, if we prevent the total destruction of the timber on our public and private lands.

The ravages committed in the forests of the Province are every where known and the fact has passed into a truism. Nevertheless few or none strive to point them out and arrest their progress. On this subject the public seems to feel itself powerless and makes no attempt to preserve those interests of the Province which are so fatally affected by the existing system of destruction. It is the duty of the Government to intervent, and by taking those interests under its guardianship, oppose a barrier to the evils which I have enumerated. An excellent means to imbue public opinion with correct notions on this matter, and so to speak create a respect for useful timber, would be to attach to the courses of the normal and agricultural schools a nursery for the instruction of pupils in the rudiments of arboriculture. It is not necessary to add extensive establishments to the schools, but simply to devote certain parts of their grounds to the plantation of trees of which the professors should study the nature and teach the cultivation.

There are many other lights in which this question of waste may be viewed ; for example, as regards maple groves, the utility of woodland to protect the sources of streams of water, the influence of trees as agents of the public health, the value of border forests in time of war, of essences of bark for tanning leather, balsams and other substances, the approaching disappearance of mast timber, of which our Province possesses the last samples in the world, and the immense consumption of hard woods by manufacturers of potash.

In comparing the Province of Quebec with five or six European kingdoms and the eastern and western States of America, we at once perceive that the country where the destruction of the forests is calculated to engender the most ruin both to the state and private individuals, is the Province of Quebec and yet it is the country where the dictates of political economy on the subject are most neglected.

One fact among others recurs periodically to awaken us to the supervision of our public and private interests. I allude to inundations. Nobody ignores the alterations which have taken place in our water courses. The net work of discharges which water the Province in their course to the sea, flow too frequently through districts entirely bare of trees, so that the brooks, streams and finally the great river itself receive too rapidly the liquid volume which falls from the heavens or is derived from the melting of the snows. Instead of soaking into the spongy soil which surrounds the roots of trees, and afterwards finding its way gradually into the beds of brooks, etc., the water flows off immediately into the hollows, swells the streams beyond measure, and occasions floods which are every year causing more damage. This first disturbance results in a second, —the fall of the water during the periods of drought. The beds of the water courses are converted into hollow roads, or if the remains a thread of water, it is very frequently insufficient for the wants of the locality through which it passes. Under the influence of a storm these courses fill up again only to empty themselves a few hours after the rain has ceased to fall.

In allowing this general system of waste to go on, we are certain that the irregularity of the water courses will increase and perhaps even that some of the smaller rivers will dry up completely, as has occurred in some parts of the United States, when the local governments have been obliged to interfere and cause their banks to be replanted, so as to provide a new for the rural districts their natural means of irrigation.

Your Committee have undertaken a national work in the fullest sense of the term. Thoughtful men, with the best interests of the Province at heart, will rejoice to see the Government engaged in investigating this important branch of the public service. The more we are attracted to the study of this complicated question and the more the Administration adopts measures to remedy the abuses which reign in the economy of our forests, the less will indifference manifest itself amongst the people in regard to interests which affect them so closely and which they do not appreciate as no good example is set them. For this reason it is desirable that such an example should be set by those above them in station.

BENJAMIN SULTE.

REPORT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON FIRES IN THE
FORESTS AND ON THE FELLING AND REPLANTING OF TREES.

Your Committee to whom have been referred the correspondence and all other documents relating to fires on the north coast of the river St. Lawrence, and in the District of Gaspé in 1867 and 1868, with power to enquire into every thing relating to the fires which have taken place in the forests of any part of the country, and also to take into consideration all questions respecting the stripping and replanting of the forests, at once addressed themselves to their task.

Your Committee in order to fulfil the duty with which they have been entrusted, to the satisfaction of your Honorable House, felt it incumbent upon them to ascertain the number and extent of the fires which have ravaged our forests, and to establish their disastrous results on the property of the people, on the success of the timber and fur trade, on the manufactures which derive their raw material from the forest, and on rural economy.

Your Committee have summoned before them the Government officers attached to the bureau of Woods and Forests, manufacturers known for their knowledge and experience, and persons who have made a special study of the subject of the waste of our forests. Your Committee call the attention of your Honorable House to the evidence which accompanies this report, evidence upon which are based the facts set forth and the recommendations submitted by your Committee.

The evidence establishes, unfortunately too clearly, that from the barren regions of the North, the forests of the Saguenay, the St. Maurice, the Matawa and the Ottawa on the left bank of the St. Lawrence, and the forests of the Gaspé Districts and of the Eastern Townships on the right bank of the St. Lawrence, as far as the boundary line, have been visited by fires which have caused incalculable injury both to the Province and to individuals; and that these fires have occurred frequently from culpable negligence, some times from the malice of individuals and sometimes from the absence of legislation on the subject.

There is one well established fact which your Committee desire to point out in a more special manner. It is, that persons clearing land, employees of lumber merchants, hunters, fishermen and other persons, destroy the products of the forest to a far greater extent than their wants require; it therefore follows that the injury thus effected is of a nature seriously to alarm all friends of the Province. It is more particularly the offence of negligence the law would have to punish, did such a law exist and the offence would not be so frequent were a penalty attached to it.

The clearing of land is carried on by cutting down the trees and burning them on the spot, that is to say, in the middle or on the borders of the forest. Your Committee have no intention of interfering with this system, because there is no other means of making clearances, but your Committee, enlightened by the voluminous and plain evidence before them and hereunto annexed, have come to the conclusion that fires made for the purpose of clearing lands should not be lighted between the close of the sowing period and the fall. Fires between the 20th June and the 15th September, spread with great rapidity, owing to the dryness of the season. It is during this period of the year that they are chiefly prevalent and your Committee believe that by then prohibiting their lighting, no injury would be done to the process of land clearing. Granting even that the interests of some individuals might be affected, would not the incalculable loss of timber and crops which these fires often occasion be more than sufficient to justify the introduction of a measure prohibiting them?

It is a fact that fishing and hunting parties and generally all persons passing through the forests light fires either to cook their food, to warm themselves or to protect themselves from the flies ; and these fires are very often the causes of conflagrations in the woods. It is much easier to point out these accidents than to control them. Your Committee however recommand that a mode lighting these camp fires should be laid down, with the obligation of extinguishing them before leaving. The spot where these fires are lit should be cleared of all rubbish ; a rocky or sandy place should be selected so as to prevent the fire extending to the wood. These precautionary measures would be observed, if the law imposed severe penalties on offenders. The protection of the forests is not so difficult as many imagine ; as it is easy to ascertain the persons who traverse them, as they are of necessity met with at places of public resort. The fires at Grand Wash-shee-shoo, and those at Mingam were due to the carelessness and negligence of tourists, who could be named. In several cases fires were lighted for amusement.

Your Committee having also enquired into all the questions bearing on the stripping of the land of timber and of its replanting, obtained from Joseph Bouchette, Esquire, Provincial Land Surveyor, an official statement of the total extent of the country with the superficies of arable and wood land. If we compare the denuded surface of the country with that of Europe, we will find that in many districts, particularly in the valley of the St. Lawrence, the forests have been destroyed beyond all due measure ; for the sake of comparison your Committee give the following figures respecting the total area of land and woodland in several countries of Europe.

| Country. | Total sup. in acres | Forest sup. in acres |
|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| FRANCE..... | 132,569,727 | 23,000,000 |
| PRUSSIA..... | 70,048,500 | 16,364,825 |
| BAVARIA | 19,093,590 | 7,189,283 |
| ITALY..... | 64,830,077 | 10,557,943 |
| AUSTRIA before 1859 | 166,807,518 | 44,165,647 |

It will be perceived the superficies of forest land in Austria where the manufacture of timber has been carried on for many centuries, is nearly half as large as the superficies of the forest land of our Province, which still possesses one hundred millions of acres

Your Committee desire also to call the attention of your Honorable House to the evidence of Mr. Quinn, Supervisor of Cullers for the Port of Quebec, pointing out the causes to which are due the total disappearance in the Province of our oak, elm and black and grey walnut timber. It may be added that many manufacturers have to draw their supply of these woods from the Province of Ontario ; ship builders too, are without the timber indispensable to their trade.

The following evils also result from the inconsiderate clearing of the land : changes in the level of the water courses, inundations, want of shelter for cattle in the fields, drought that injures the crops, want of protection from the winds that affect them, scarcity of fuel and the destruction of maple groves. The want of a forest system is manifest. The necessity of preventing fires calls for protective measures, and the already grave inconveniences occasioned by the total disappearance of the forest in certain localities, demand measures calculated to promote the replanting of the land. The regulations which may be established in this connection, might come within the province of the present agents of Crown Lands and Woods and Forests.

Among the means employed to replant parts of the country that have been improvidently denuded, the following, are the most desirable, in the estimation of your Committee : to encourage by prizes, to be distributed by the agricultural societies, the planting of forest trees, especially the best specimens, upon private property, and to establish, when it can be advantageously done, in connection with the Normal and Agricultural schools a course of instruction in arboriculture. Should the Government decide as we trust it will, nurseries might be attached to the schools from which the farmers might obtain young trees of the best kinds, at moderate prices.

With regard to those parts of the country yet wooded, your Committee think the Government should make reserves for the sake of public utility, and should perhaps compel new settlers to retain a certain quantity of their land in standing timber.

Your committee have made all possible diligence in the study of the question of fires in the woods and the destruction of the forest generally ; but want of time has not permitted them to examine in detail several important points coming within the scope of Legislation, which perhaps your Honorable House will be pleased to refer to a Committee during the next Session.

The whole respectfully submitted.

P. FORTIN,
Chairman.

TWENTY-THIRD REPORT

OF THE

STANDING COMMITTEE ON MISCELLANEOUS PRIVATE BILLS.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Friday, 2nd April, 1869.

The Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills have the honor to present to Your Honorable House their twenty-third Report, as follows:

Your Committee, with reference to the Report made by them under number twenty-two, having respect to the Bills referred to them for amendments to the Acts of Incorporation of the City of Quebec, beg leave to make the following Supplementary Report.

Your Committee have had before them the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibaudau and others, presented to Your Honorable House, on the 15th day of March last, by the Honorable Member for Quebec West, and referred to this Committee in connection with the said Bills; and pending their investigation, several affidavits were laid before Your Committee which are hereto annexed, marked with the letter A, made by divers parties whose signatures purported to be appended to said Petition, and by which said affidavits it appears that several of said parties never signed the said Petition, but their signatures long since attached to other Documents had been detached from these Documents relating to other objects, and annexed to said Petition, to which they had never given their concurrence.

Your Committee deemed it their duty to make further enquiry into the matter, and have heard before them the following persons, whose signatures appear to be appended to said Petition, viz:

Lawrence I. Pelletier, Merchant, whose signature purports to have been written on sheet marked in red ink as No. 3, declared the said signature to be false and forged; and Louis Dumas, Merchant Tailor, of St. Roch of Quebec, whose signature appears on sheet marked No. 11, and Edouard Dolbec, whose signature appears on sheet No. 6, severally declared that although the said signatures were genuine, yet they had never signed their names to the said Petition; but that the said signatures had long since been appended to some other document, and had been without their authority and consent annexed to said Petition.

Your Committee, therefore, deem it their duty to call the attention of Your Honorable House to the above circumstances, to the end that such action may be taken in the premises as to Your Honorable House may be deemed expedient.

A:

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, }
District of Quebec.

Olivier Vocelle, of St. Roch of Quebec, Merchant, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, deposeth and saith:

That on the twenty-sixth of March instant, he went to the office of the Private

Bills Committee to examine the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibaudeau, protesting against those who prayed that the Quebec City Council be suspended; that he found his name written on the said Petition, on page No. 20, done in red ink and forming part of the said Petition.

That the signature Olivier Vocelle annexed to the said Petition is his true signature; but that he never had signed the said Petition of the Honorable I. Thibaudeau and others, or any other petition for a similar object, but on the contrary he had signed the Petition of W. Hunt and others.

That the said signature was given more than two years ago, because since then he has not signed Olivier at full length as it appears in the said Petition, and that the page on which his true signature appears formed part of an old Petition which had been annexed to the said Petition, without the consent of Deponent, who hath signed.

O. VOCELLE.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-sixth
day of March, one thousand eight hundred
and sixty-nine.

F. N. GINGRAS, J. P.

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC,
District of Quebec.

Edouard Dolbec, of the Lower Town, Merchant, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, deposeth and saith:

That on the twenty-fifth of March instant, he went to the office of the Private Bill Committee, in the Parliament Buildings, to examine a large Petition of the Hon. J. Thibaudeau and others, protesting against the suspension of the Quebec City Council, declaring themselves to be well satisfied with the present municipal system, and that he found his name written on the said Petition. That the signature E. Dolbec appended to the said Petition is his true signature, but that he never signed any Petition for the object stated in the Petition in question. That he never was requested to sign any such Petition protesting against the suspension of the said Council, and that he never authorized any person to sign any such Petition for him. That on examining the page on which his name appears and those of others which precede and follow it on the list, deponent positively states that he signed his name on the said page at a period of time long past and while he was residing in St. Roch of Quebec, that he recognizes the names of persons on the said list who resided to the in his neighbourhood, and that it is over two years since he appended his signature said page, and deponent hath signed.

E. DOLBEC.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-fifth
day of March, one thousand eight hundred
and sixty-nine.

ABM. HAMEL, J. P.

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC,
District of Quebec.

George Paquet, of the City of Quebec, Merchant, being duly sworn upon the Holy Evangelists, deposeth and saith:

That he went to the office of the Private Bill Committee, in the Parliament Buildings, on the twenty-sixth of March last, and examined the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibault and others, praying that the conclusions of the Petition of Weston Hunt and others be not granted, which was presented to the Legislature by Mr. Hearn, M.P.P. That Deponent found his signature "George Paquet" in red ink, on a sheet of paper numbered 31, attached to and forming part of the said Petition. That the signature in question is really and truly in his handwriting, but that he never appended it to the Petition in question, or to any other against the existing municipal system. That the name G. Boivin, following his signature, is that of an old partner; that he recognizes it as such, and that the said Guillaume Boivin has been at Montreal for two years past. That the signature "George Paquet" which appears attached to the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibault and others, was given over two years since, to the best of deponent's knowledge, and he hath signed.

GEORGE PAQUET.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-sixth }
day of March, one thousand eight hundred }
and sixty-nine. DANIEL MCGIE, J. P. }

CANADA, }
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, }
District of Quebec. }

The undersigned, rate-payers of the City of Quebec, being duly sworn, depose and say:

That they never signed the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibault and others, protesting against those seeking the suspension of the City Council, nor any other Petition of a similar nature; that they were never asked to sign any such document; but that on the contrary they desired other material changes in the existing municipal system, and deponents have signed.

H. TURCOTTE.
NOBRT. GERMAIN.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-sixth }
day of March, one thousand eight hundred }
and sixty-nine, after being duly read over. }
F. N. GINGRAS, J. P. }

CANADA, }
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. }
District of Quebec. }

Louis Dumas, of St. Rochs of Quebec, Tailor, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith:

That having examined, in the Private Bill Committee Room, the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibault and others, protesting against those seeking the suspension of the City Council, he found his name therein. That the signature "Louis Dumas" appearing on the said Petition is his true signature, but that he never affixed it to the said Petition or any other of like nature; but that on the contrary he signed the Petition of Weston Hunt and others. That that signature was written long previously to the two last Petitions, and that the sheet upon which it appears must

have formed part of another Petition, and been since attached to that of the Honorable I. Thibault without deponent's consent, and he hath signed.

LOUIS DUMAS.

Sworn to, at Quebec, this twenty-sixth day of
March, one thousand eight hundred and
sixty-nine, after being duly read over. }
F. N. GINGRAS, J. P.

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. }
District of Quebec.

Isidore Samson, of St. Rochs of Quebec, Shipbuilder, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith :

That he examined, in the Private Bill Committee Office, the list of Citizens presented by the Corporation as protesting against the suspension of the Council. That he is positive that the signature "Isidore Samson" appearing in the said list is forged,—that he never signed the said Petition, but that on the contrary he is opposed to the present municipal system, and has always demanded the suspension of the Council. That he authorized no person to sign his name to any such Petition. In glancing over the list, he also noticed the names of persons long absent from Quebec, viz: F. X. Béland, Jacques Normand, &c., &c., among others, and deponent hath signed.

ISIDORE SAMSON.

Sworn to, at Quebec, this twenty-fourth
day of March, one thousand eight
hundred and sixty-nine. }
ARM. HAMEL, J. P.

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. }
District of Quebec.

Fabien Soucy, of the City of Quebec, Gentleman, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith :

That he never signed any Petition protesting against the suspension of the Council, or with the view of maintaining the Corporation on its present footing. That to his knowledge, no person submitted any Petition to him for signature with either object. On the contrary, that he is not favorable to the Corporation as it actually is, but desires to see it suspended and Commissioners appointed.

FAB. SOUCY.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-fourth
day of March, one thousand eight hundred
and sixty-nine. }
JOHN CHILDS, J. P.

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC. }
District of Quebec.

The undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and say :

That they never signed the Petition of the Honorable I. Thibault and others,

protesting against those who prayed for the suspension of the City Council, and declared themselves satisfied with the present municipal system; that they never signed any other Petition of a like nature; that they were never asked to sign any such document, but on the contrary were always anxious for considerable reforms in the municipal system of the City of Quebec, and deponents have signed.

L. E. BIGAOUETTE,
O. VOCELLE,
ETIENNE ALLAIRE,
JOS. G. TOURANGEAU,
FRS. CLICHE,
F. X. LEPAGE,
ED. MOISAN,
F. X. LACHANCE,
MATHIAS MORISSETTE,
NARCISSE DION,
AL. FRENETTE,
PRISQUE CLOUTIER,
his
VINCENT + TESSIER,
mark.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-sixth day
of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-
nine, and the said Vincent Tessier, not knowing
how to sign his name, made his mark in my pre-
sence, after due reading thereof.

DANIEL MCGIE, J. P.

CANADA,
PROVINCE OF QUEBEC,
District of Quebec.

The undersigned, being duly sworn, depose and say:

That they never signed any Petition to maintain the existing municipal system of the City of Quebec; nor any Petition protesting against the suspension of the City Council; that they never authorized any person to sign the same for them; and that they are altogether ignorant of the Petition presented to the Legislature, for the continuance of the present municipal system, and deponents have signed.

V. PELLETIER,
his
MICHEL + VEZINA,
mark.
J. BTE. VEZINA,
his
JEAN + LAPRISE,
mark.

Sworn before me, at Quebec, this twenty-fifth day
of March, one thousand eight hundred and
sixty-nine, the said Michel Vizina and Jean
Laprise, being unable to write or sign their
names, made their marks of a cross.

F. N. GINGRAS, J. P.



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PROCLAMATIONS.

CANADA, }
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N. F. BELLEAU.

[L. S.]

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the FIFTH day of the month of MAY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands called for the FIFTH day of the month of MAY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you and each of you, of your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each

of you, that on FRIDAY the ELEVENTH day of the month of JUNE, you meet Us in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec*, to be hereunto affixed : WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, and Lieutenant Governor of our said Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of APRIL, in the Year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
QUEBEC.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

N. F. BELLEAU.

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GREETING :

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands called for the ELEVENTH day of the month of JUNE, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you, and each of you, of Your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on THURSDAY, the TWENTY-SECOND day of the month of JULY, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said

Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary.
HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved* the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, this THIRD day of JUNE, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-second year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
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To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the TWENTY-SECOND day of the month of JULY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands called for the TWENTY-SECOND day of the month of JULY, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you, and each of you, of Your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on MONDAY, the THIRTIETH day of the month of AUGUST, you meet us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, this FIFTEENTH day of JULY, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,
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VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the THIRTIETH day of the month of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands called for the THIRTIETH day of the month of AUGUST, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you, and each of you, of Your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on FRIDAY, the EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER, you meet Us in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary, HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec*

to be hereunto affixed. WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, this TWENTY-EIGHTH day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,
L. H. HUOT,
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N. F. BELLEAU.

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VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION:

WHEREAS, the meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands called for the EIGHTH day of the month of OCTOBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, at which time, at Our City of *Quebec*, you were held and constrained to appear. Now KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our Loving Subjects, We have thought fit by and with the advice of Our Executive Council, of the Province of *Quebec*, to relieve you, and each of you, of Your attendance at the time aforesaid, hereby convoking, and by these presents enjoining you, and each of you, that on MONDAY, the FIFTEENTH day of the month of NOVEMBER, you meet Us, in Our Legislature or Parliament of the said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, and therein to do as may seem necessary. HEREIN FAIL NOT.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Right Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, and Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of *Quebec*, At Our Government House, in Our

City of *Quebec*, this SIXTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,

L. H. HUOT,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,

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N. F. BELLEAU.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, *Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.*

To Our Beloved and Faithful the Legislative Councillors of the Province of *Quebec*, and the Members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our said Province, and summoned and called to a Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of *Quebec*, on the FIFTEENTH day of the month of NOVEMBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, to have been commenced and held, and to every of you—

GREETING:

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS, the Meeting of the Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, stands prorogued to the FIFTEENTH day of the month of NOVEMBER, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, NEVERTHELESS, for certain causes and considerations, We have thought fit further to prorogue the same to TUESDAY, the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of NOVEMBER next, so that neither you, nor any of you, on the said Fifteenth day of November next, at our City of *Quebec*, to appear are to be held and constrained; for WE DO WILL that you, and each of you, and all others in this behalf interested, that on TUESDAY the TWENTY-THIRD day of the month of NOVEMBER next, at Our City of *Quebec* aforesaid, personally you be and appear for the DESPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature or Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, by the Common Council of Our said Province, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of Our said Province of *Quebec* to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, Our Trusty and Well-Beloved the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Knight, and Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*. At Our Government House, in Our City of *Quebec*, in Our said Province, this TWENTY-FIFTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and in the Thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,

L. H. HUOT,

Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,

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PROVINCE OF QUEBEC.

SESSION, 1869-70.

Tuesday, 23rd November, 1869.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by *Samuel Staunton Hatt*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

MR. SPEAKER,—

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House, in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to the Council Chamber;

And being returned,

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that during the Recess he had received the following notifications; and that he had accordingly issued his Warrants to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery to make out new Writs for the election of Members to represent the Electoral Division of *Three Rivers*; the Electoral Division of *Richelieu*; the Electoral Division of *Sherbrooke*; and the Electoral Division of *Huntingdon* :

THREE RIVERS, 16th Sept., 1869.

To the Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

SIR,

I have the honor to inform you that I hereby resign my seat in the Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, as Member for the City of *Three Rivers*.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

SÉVÈRE DUMOULIN.

P. B. Dumoulin, } Witnesses.
Charles Dumoulin. }

QUEBEC, 8th Oct., 1869.

To the Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

SIR,

We have the honor to inform you that in consequence of the death of *Joseph Beaudreau*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of *Richelieu*, his seat has become vacant.

We have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servants,

GEO. H. SIMARD,

M. P. P.

J. P. RHÉAUME,

M. P. P.

Province of *Quebec*.

To the Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*.

We, the undersigned, *Louis Adélarde Sénécal*, a duly elected Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, to represent therein the County of *Yamaska*, *Louis Joseph Moll*, a duly elected Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, to represent therein the County of *Berthier*, hereby declare and make known to you, the said Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, that *Joseph Beaudreau*, Esquire, who by the report of the Returning Officer of the County of *Richelieu*, was returned elected for the Electoral Division of the said County of *Richelieu*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, is deceased since he was so returned.

We therefore require of you, the said *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, in your quality aforesaid, to issue a Writ for the Election of a new Member, to represent the said Electoral Division of the said County of *Richelieu*, in the room and stead of the said *Joseph Beaudreau*, Esquire, in the manner and form prescribed by the Statutes in such case made and provided.

Witness our hands and seals, at the Town of *Sorel*, in the Province of *Quebec*, this EIGHTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

L. A. SÉNÉCAL, (L. S.)

M. P. P.

L. J. MOLL, (L. S.)

M. P. P.

To the Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*.

SIR,

We, the undersigned Members of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*; have the honor to inform you that the seat of *Joseph Gibb Robertson*, Esquire, in the said Legislative Assembly, has become vacant by his acceptance of the office of Provincial Treasurer.

QUEBEC, 25th October, 1869.

P. J. O. CHAUVEAU,

GÉDÉON OUMET.

To the Honorable *Joseph Goderic Blanchet*, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*.

SIR,

I beg hereby to make known to you my intention to resign the seat which I hold as Representative of the County of *Huntingdon*, in the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*; and I request that you will take the necessary steps to fill the vacancy caused by this, my resignation. In testimony of which I have hereunto set my hand and seal at *Hemmingford*, in the aforesaid County of *Huntingdon*, on this the SIXTH day of OCTOBER, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, in presence of the undersigned witnesses.

JULIUS SCRIVER,

Signed and Sealed in presence of,

JOHN McNAUGHTON,

W. J. SCRIVER.

Mr. Speaker then informed the House that the Clerk had received, from the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery, the following certificates:—

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

These presents certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the FIRST day of OCTOBER last, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, and addressed to *Ezechiel M. Hart*, Esquire, Advocate, appointed Returning Officer, by special commission, under the hand and seal of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, dated the FIRST day of OCTOBER last, for the election of a Member to represent the Electoral Division of *Three Rivers*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in this present Parliament, in the place and stead of *Sévère Dumoulin*, Esquire, who, since his election to represent the said Electoral Division of *Three Rivers*, resigned his seat as Member for the said Electoral Division; *Charles Borromée Gènesi*, Esquire, has been returned as having been duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the TWENTIETH day of OCTOBER last, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 18th November, 1869.

L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,

G. M. MUIR, Esq.,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
Quebec.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

These presents certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the NINTH day of OCTOBER last, issued by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, and addressed to *Jules Chevallier*, Esquire, Registrar of the County of *Richelieu*, Returning Officer, *ex-officio*, for the County of *Richelieu*, for the Election of a Member to represent the Electoral Division of *Richelieu*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in this present Parliament, in the place and stead of *Joseph Beaudreau*, Esquire, deceased; *Pierre Gélinas*, Esquire, has been returned as having been duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the SECOND day of NOVEMBER, instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 17th November, 1869.

L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

G. M. MUIR, Esq.,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
Quebec.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

These presents certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the TWENTY-FIFTH day of OCTOBER last, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, and addressed to *George Frédéric Bowen*, Esquire, Sheriff of the District of *St. Francis*, Returning Officer, *ex-officio*, for the Election of a Member to represent the Electoral Division of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in the present Parliament, in the place and stead of the Honorable *Joseph Gibb Robertson*, who since his Election as the Representative of the said Electoral Division of the Town of *Sherbrooke*, hath accepted an office of profit under the Crown, to wit ; the office of Treasurer of the said Province ; by which the Seat of the said *Joseph Gibb Robertson* hath become vacant ; the Honorable *Joseph Gibb Robertson* has been returned as having been duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the FIFTH day of NOVEMBER instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 18th November, 1869.

L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery.

G. M. MUIR, Esq.,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
Quebec.

CANADA, }
Province of *Quebec*. }

These presents certify, that in virtue of a Writ of Election, dated the SIXTEENTH day of OCTOBER last, issued by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, and addressed to *Andrew Somerville*, Esquire, Registrar of the County of *Huntingdon*, Returning Officer, *ex-officio*, for the Election of a Member to represent the Electoral Division of *Huntingdon*, in the Legislative Assembly of this Province, in this present Parliament, in the place and stead of *Julius Scriver*, Esquire, who, since his Election to represent the said Electoral Division of *Huntingdon*, resigned his seat as Member for the said Division ; *William Cantwell*, Esquire, has been returned as having been duly elected, as appears by the Return to the said Writ of Election, dated the TENTH day of NOVEMBER instant, which is now lodged of record in my office.

Office of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery,
Quebec, 18th November, 1869.

L. H. HUOT,
Clerk of the Crown in Chancery

G. M. MUIR, Esq.,
Clerk of the Legislative Assembly,
Quebec.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of *L'Hospice des Sœurs de la Providence* at *St. Vincent de Paul*; of *La Communauté de Notre Dame de Charité du Bon Pasteur* of *Montreal*; and of the *Montreal Dispensary*, all for the year ending 31st December, 1868; of *l'Hospice Ste. Croix*, at *Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; of *l'Hotel-Dieu de St. Hyacinthe*; of *l'Asile de la Providence de Laprairie*; of *La Salle de l'Asile de St. Vincent de Paul, Montreal*; of the Church of England Female Orphan Asylum; and the annual report of the Ladies Protestant Home, *Quebec*; all for the year 1869; statements of the affairs of the *Three Rivers Hospital*, and of *l'Asile de la Providence, Montreal*. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the administration of Oaths of Office.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time.

Mr. Speaker reported, that when the House did attend His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, this day, in the Legislative Council Chamber, His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, of which Mr. Speaker said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy, which he read to the House, as followeth:—

*Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,
Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly:*

I am happy again to meet you assembled to deliberate on the affairs of the Province.

Since last session Divine Providence has been pleased to afford us an abundant harvest, which has added to the prosperity of our people.

The Government has lost no time in carrying into execution the laws which you passed for the promotion of Agriculture and Colonization, and for the advancement of Education. The work on the Colonization Roads has been vigorously proceeded with, and you will be of opinion, on examination of the reports which will be laid before you, that the money voted for this purpose has been expended with economy and advantage.

I have observed, with pleasure, that many of the electoral divisions have availed themselves of the recent law, providing for the formation of Colonization Societies; and the Government has promptly recognized the Societies thus formed.

Good results are expected from the law for the encouragement of Colonization Railways, and several of the Municipalities have taken shares in these useful undertakings.

The work of exploring the territory in rear of the settlements on the north of the St. Lawrence, has been commenced and actively prosecuted, and you will be informed of the progress which has been made.

All these measures at the same time, that they favor Colonization, are also such as are calculated to attract immigration from other countries, in which object my Government takes a common interest with the Federal Government and those of the other Provinces.

The Commission appointed to enquire into the organization and expense of the Civil Service has been actively occupied with the discharge of its duties, and you will shortly be informed of the result of its labors.

I am happy to be able to announce to you that such progress has been made in the division of the surplus debt of the late Province of *Canada*, as to lead me to expect an early settlement of the question.

Our Gracious Sovereign having been pleased to direct that one of her sons should join the Army stationed in *Canada*, and his Royal Highness Prince ARTHUR being about to reside for some time in this Province, I thought it my duty to offer him, in your name, the hospitality of the Province during his sojourn in this City, and I was happy to see the people everywhere uniting with the authorities in affording him proofs of the respect and affection which they bear towards his Illustrious Mother and all the members of the Royal Family.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly,

The public accounts will be submitted to you, and you will find that, notwithstanding the extensive works which have been undertaken on the Colonization Roads, and the repairs and enlargement of several of the public buildings, the expenditure has on the whole been within the Estimates.

At the expiration of the financial year, ending on the FIRST day of JULY last, there remained in the public chest a considerable surplus, and I have good reason to hope that there will be the same result at the termination of the six months ending the FIRST of JANUARY next.

The ordinary votes will be asked from you for the different branches of the public service, and for the continuation of the works already commenced.

It has become necessary to make provision for the erection of buildings for the use of the public departments, and you will be asked for a vote for that purpose.

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council,

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

You were occupied during the last session with important measures respecting municipal organization, and various other matters of public interest. The great number of subjects then submitted to your consideration did not allow you the necessary time to complete all these measures, and your attention will be again directed to several of them.

You will also be asked to consider the adoption of means for the more effectual organization of a Police force in this Province.

I have no doubt that you will devote to these subjects and to any others which you may deem worthy of your attention, the same care which you have already shewn in the performance of your duties.

I sincerely pray that Divine Providence may bless your efforts, and that your labors may be crowned with success.

The Honorable *Joseph Gibb Robertson*, Member for the Electoral Division of *Sherbrooke* ; *Pierre Gélinas*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of *Richelieu* ; *Charles Borromée Genest*, Esquire, Member for the Electoral Division of *Three-Rivers* ; and *William Cantwell*, Esquire, Member for the

Electoral Division of *Huntingdon*; having previously taken the Oath according to law, and subscribed before the Commissioners the Roll containing the same, took their seats in the House.

On Motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered, That the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature, be taken into consideration on To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Votes and Proceedings of this House be printed, being first perused by Mr. Speaker, and that he do appoint the printing thereof; and that no person but such as he shall appoint do presume to print the same.

Resolved, That if any thing shall come in question touching the Return or Election of any Member, he is to withdraw during the time the matter is in debate, and all Members returned upon double returns are to withdraw until their returns are determined.

Resolved, That if it shall appear that any person hath been elected or returned a Member of this House, or endeavoured so to be by bribery or any other corrupt practices, this House will proceed with the utmost severity against all such persons as shall have been wilfully concerned in such bribery or other corrupt practices.

Resolved, That the offer of any money or other advantage to any Member of the Legislative Assembly, for the promoting of any matter whatsoever depending or to be transacted in the Parliament of the Province of *Quebec*, is a high crime and misdemeanor, and tends to the subversion of the Constitution.

Resolved, That Select Standing Committees of this House, for the present Session, be appointed for the following purposes:

1. On Privileges and Elections.—2. On Standing Orders.—3. On Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.—4. On Miscellaneous Private Bills.—5. On Expiring Laws.—6. On Contingencies.—7. On Printing.—8. On Public Accounts.—9. On Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization;—Which said Committees shall severally be empowered to examine and enquire into all such matters and things as may be referred to them by the House; and to report from time to time their observations and opinions thereon, with power to send for persons, papers, and records; and that for the more prompt despatch of business until such appointment, the said several Committees, as the same were personally constituted on the last day of the last Session of this House, be provisionally revived, with the like powers, and with authority to act provisionally under such rules as to their organisation, quorum and otherwise as were then in force in respect thereof.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House, a Report of the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly on the state of the Library of Parliament, which is as followeth:

To the Honorable the Legislative Assembly,

The Report of the Librarian on the State of the Library of the Legislature of *Quebec*, humbly represents;

That the Library recently formed under the management of both Honorable Houses, has already become one of the most interesting in the Province, if not by the quantity, at least by the quality of the collection.

It now contains the most valuable works on arts, science and literature; and several collections happily commenced of works on history, law and literature, were completed.

The Library boasts of over 5,700 volumes, without counting the Journals and other Parliamentary documents.

The grant placed at the disposal of the Library was sufficient for the requirement of the year.

Your Librarian caused an alphabetical catalogue of the books of the Library to be printed. He also had a catalogue prepared by order of subjects with a description of the works and the number of volumes of each. This last catalogue may also be printed at the pleasure of the Honorable Houses.

Your Librarian deems it his duty to enumerate a few of the gifts made to the Library during the year :—

The Minister of Public Instruction donated :

"*Rameau.—La France aux Colonies*," Paris, 1859.

The Ladies of the Asile de la Providence, *Montreal* :

"*Traité Élémentaire de Molière, Médicale et guide pratique des Sœurs de la Charité*."—Small 8vo. of 1600 pages, printed and bound by the Ladies of the Asile de la Providence of *Montreal*, 1869.

Lt. Col. *Bell* of *Montreal* :

"*Preces St. Nersetus Clagencis in 12*," written in 33 languages, *Venice*, 1862.

The last Statutes were also received from the Federal Parliament; and from the Parliaments of *New South Wales* and *Prince Edward's Island*, the Statutes of the Session of 1868–69, and the Journals of the House of Assembly, (1868.)

The whole respectfully submitted,

L. PAMPHILE LEMAY,

Librarian.

The following petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable M. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend Father *François Xavier* and others, of the Township of *Langevin*.

By M. *Bachand*,—The Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Hôtel-Dieu* of *St. Hyacinthe*.

By M. *Fortin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 24th November, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of *l'Hospice Youville*, at *St. Benoit*, for the year ending 31st December, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

The Order of the Day being read, for taking into consideration the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature.

The House proceeded accordingly to take the said Speech into consideration.

Mr. *Church* moved, seconded by Mr. *Moll*, and the question being proposed,—That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the Third Session of the Provincial Legislature, and further to assure His Excellency, that we receive with the utmost gratification, the expression of the pleasure with which His Excellency sees us again assembled to deliberate on the affairs of the Province.

1. That we receive with the utmost gratification, the expression of the pleasure with which His Excellency sees us again assembled to deliberate on the affairs of the Province.

2. That we rejoice with His Excellency in, that Divine Providence has been pleased to afford us an abundant harvest, which has added to the prosperity of our people.

3. That we have observed with pleasure that the Government has lost no time in carrying into execution the laws past last session, for the promotion of Agriculture and Colonization, and for the advancement of Education, and that the work on the Colonization Roads has been vigorously proceeded with, and we shall be happy to learn, on examination of the reports to be laid before us, that the money voted for this purpose has been expended with economy and advantage.

4. That it is with gratification we have observed, that many of the Electoral Divisions have availed themselves of the recent law, providing for the formation of Colonization Societies, and that the Government has promptly recognized the societies thus founded.

5. That we expect, with His Excellency, good results from the law for the encouragement of Colonization Railways, and we have seen with pleasure, that several Municipalities have taken shares in these useful undertakings.

6. That we are happy to hear that the work of exploring the territory in rear of the settlements, on the north of the St. Lawrence, has been commenced and actively prosecuted, and we shall learn with interest the progress which has been made.

7. That we observe with pleasure, that while all these measures are such as favor Colonization, they are also calculated to attract here, Immigration from other countries, in which object the Government of His Excellency takes a common interest with the Federal Government and those of the other Provinces.

8. That we shall esteem it a duty to bestow our most serious consideration upon the results of the inquiry which has been held, respecting the organization and expense of the Civil Service.

9. That we are happy to learn, that in so far as respects the division of the surplus debt of the late Province of *Canada*, such progress has been made as leads His Excellency to expect an early settlement of the question.

10. That Our Gracious Sovereign having been pleased to direct that one of Her sons should join the army stationed in *Canada*, and His Royal Highness Prince ARTHUR being about to reside for some time in this Province, we thank His Excellency, for offering him the hospitality of the Province, during his sojourn in this City, and we have seen with pleasure, the people everywhere united with the authorities, in affording him proofs of the respect and affection, which they entertain for his august Mother and all the members of the Royal Family.

11. That we shall devote all our attention to the Public Accounts which will be submitted to us, and we learn with satisfaction, that, notwithstanding the extensive works which have been undertaken on the Colonization Roads, and the repairs and enlargement of several of the public buildings, the expenditure has, on the whole, been within the Estimates.

12. That we are also happy to learn, that at the expiration of the financial year, ending on the FIRST OF JULY last, there remained in the public chest a considerable surplus, and that His Excellency has every reason to hope, there will be the same result at the expiration of the six months ending on the FIRST OF JANUARY next.

13. That we shall bestow due consideration on the ordinary votes which will be asked from us for the different branches of the public service, and for the continuation of works already commenced.

14. That we shall also give our attention to the vote which will be required of us, for the construction of buildings for the use of the Public Departments.

15. That, having been occupied during the last Session with important measures, respecting municipal organization and various other matters of public interest, and the great number of subjects then submitted to our consideration, having prevented us from completing all these measures, we shall carefully study all of them to which our attention shall be again directed.

16. That we shall take into consideration the adoption of means for the more effectual organization of a Police force in this Province.

17. That on these subjects and all others which we may deem worthy of our attention, we shall spare no exertions, and we thank His Excellency for his gracious words in this respect.

18. That we sincerely pray Divine Providence to bless our efforts and those of His Excellency, and to crown our labors with success.

And the First to the Eighteenth and last paragraphs inclusive, being again read, were agreed to.

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to thank His Excellency for His Gracious Speech at the opening of the present Session of the Provincial Legislature.

Resolved, That the said Resolution be referred to a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Honorable Sir *George Etienne Cartier*, Bart., the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Irvine*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Moll*, and Mr. *Verreault*, to prepare and report the draft of an Address in answer to the Speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Legislature, in conformity to the said Resolution.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* reported, from the Select Committee appointed to draw up an Address to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, that they had drawn up an Address accordingly, and the same was read, as followeth :

To His Excellency, the Honorable Sir NARCISSE FORTUNAT BELLEAU,
Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY :

We, Her Majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects the Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, in the Provincial Legislature assembled, humbly thank Your Excellency for Your Gracious Speech at the opening of this the third Session of the Provincial Legislature.

We receive with the utmost gratification, the expression of the pleasure with which Your Excellency sees us again assembled to deliberate on the affairs of the Province.

We rejoice with Your Excellency, in that Divine Providence has been pleased to afford us an abundant harvest, which has added to the prosperity of our people.

We have observed with pleasure that the Government has lost no time in carrying into execution the laws past last Session, for the promotion of Agriculture and Colonization and for the advancement of Education, and that the work on the Colonization Roads has been vigorously proceeded with, and we shall be happy to learn, on examination of the reports to be laid before us, that the money voted for this purpose has been expended with economy and advantage.

It is with gratification we have observed, that many of the electoral divisions have availed themselves of the recent law, providing for the formation of Colonization Societies, and that the Government has promptly recognised the societies thus founded.

We expect, with Your Excellency, good results from the law for the encouragement of Colonization Railways, and we have seen with pleasure, that several Municipalities have taken shares in these useful undertakings.

We are happy to hear that the work of exploring the territory in rear of the settlements, on the north of the St. Lawrence, has been commenced and actively prosecuted, and we shall learn with interest the progress which has been made.

We observe with pleasure, that while all these measures are such as favor Colonization, they are also calculated to attract here immigration from other countries, in which object the Government of Your Excellency

takes a common interest with the Federal Government and those of the other Provinces.

We shall esteem it a duty to bestow our most serious consideration upon the results of the inquiry which has been held, respecting the organization and expense of the Civil Service.

We are happy to learn, that in so far as respects the division of the surplus debt of the late Province of *Canada*, such progress has been made as leads Your Excellency to expect an early settlement of the question.

Our Gracious Sovereign having been pleased to direct that one of her sons should join the army stationed in *Canada*, and His Royal Highness Prince ARTHUR being about to reside for some time in this Province, we thank Your Excellency for offering him the hospitality of the Province, during his sojourn in this City; and we have seen with pleasure, the people everywhere united with the authorities, in affording him proofs of the respect and affection, which they entertain for his august Mother and all the members of the Royal Family.

We shall devote all our attention to the Public Accounts which will be submitted to us, and we learn with satisfaction that, notwithstanding the extensive works which have been undertaken on the Colonization Roads and the repairs and enlargement of several of the public buildings, the expenditure has, on the whole, been within the Estimates.

We are also happy to learn, that at the expiration of the financial year, ending on the FIRST of JULY last, there remained in the public chest a considerable surplus, and that Your Excellency has every reason to hope, there will be the same result at the expiration of the six months ending on the FIRST of JANUARY next.

We shall bestow due consideration on the ordinary votes which will be asked from us for the different branches of the public service, and for the continuation of works already commenced.

We shall also give our attention to the vote which will be required of us, for the construction of buildings for the use of the Public Departments.

Having been occupied during the last session with important measures, respecting municipal organization and various other matters of public interest, and the great number of subjects then submitted to our consideration having prevented us from completing all these measures, we shall carefully study all of them to which our attention shall be again directed.

We shall take into consideration the adoption of means for the more effectual organization of a Police force in this Province.

On these subjects and on all others which we may deem worthy of our attention, we shall spare no exertions, and we thank Your Excellency for Your gracious words in this respect.

We sincerely pray Divine Providence to bless our efforts and those of Your Excellency, and to crown our labours with success.

The said Address being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Address be engrossed.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Ouimet*.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of Twelve Members be appointed to prepare and report with all convenient speed, lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees ordered by this House.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Sir *George Etienne Cartier*, Bart., the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Bellerose*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Clément*, Mr. *Chapleau* and Mr. *Lavallée*, do compose the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 25th November, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd of *Quebec*, from 1st January to 31st October, 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

Also, Municipal Returns of the Province of *Quebec*, for the year 1868. (Sessional Papers No. 6.)

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—Statement of Legal Opinions, Reports of Council, and Special Warrants under authority of clause 47, *Victoria* 31, Cap. 9, prepared by the Auditor as thereby required. (Appendix No. 1.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Brigham*,—The Petition of *P. Bériau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romuald of Farnham*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—Two Petitions of *Les Dames Religieuses de l'Hôpital de la Ville de St. Jean*; and the Petition of *Charles Ernest Ovide Belle*, of the City of *Montreal*, Notary Public.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney General *Ouimet*,—the Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of the City of *Montreal*; the Petition of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; and Three Petitions of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Reverend *Father Francois Xavier* and others, of the Township of *Langevin*; praying aid for Roads.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Hôtel-Dieu*, of *St. Hyacinthe*; praying aid to complete an Hospital, and that their annual grant be continued.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*; praying that the said Township be divided into two separate Municipalities.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, reported to the House, that His Excellency having been attended with their Address of yesterday, was pleased to receive the same Very Graciously, and to give the following answer :

Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :—

I am happy to receive the Address you have presented to me ; it gives me a proof of your desire to carry on the business of the Session with diligence and zeal.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Select Committee appointed to prepare and report lists of Members to compose the Select Standing Committees, ordered by this House, reported that they had prepared Lists of Members accordingly, and the same were read as follow :

1. Privileges and Elections.—Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Bart., Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, Honorable Mr. Atty.-Gen. *Ouimet*, and Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Chapleau*, Mr. *Coullée*, Mr. *Craig*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Mathieu*, Mr. *Poupore* and Mr. *Simard*.

2. Standing Orders.—Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, Honorable Mr. Sol.-Gen. *Irvine*, and Mr. *Bellingham*, Mr. *Benoit*, Mr. *Desaulniers*, (*Maskinongé*), Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Harwood*, Mr. *Locke*, Mr. *Marchand*, Mr. *Pelletier* and Mr. *Thérien*.

3. Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.—Honorable Sir *George E. Cartier*, Bart., Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, Honorable Mr. Sol.-Gen. *Irvine*, Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, and Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Chapleau*, Mr. *Clément*, Mr. *Fortin*, Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Genest*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Lavallée*, Mr. *Molleur*, Mr. *Ogilvie*, Mr. *Pelletier*, Mr. *Pozzer*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Sénécal*, Mr. *Tremblay* and Mr. *Verreault*.

4. Miscellaneous Private Bills.—Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, Honorable Mr. Atty.-Gen. *Ouimet*, and Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Bellerose*, Mr. *Bellingham*, Mr. *Blais*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Chapleau*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Desaulniers* (*St. Maurice*), Mr. *Genest*, Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Locke*, Mr. *Marchand* and Mr. *Rhéaume*.

5. Expiring Laws.—Honorable Mr. Atty. Gen. *Ouimet*, and Mr. *Bessette*, Mr. *Craig*, Mr. *Gélinas*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, Mr. *Hearn*, Mr. *Laberge*, Mr. *LaRue*, Mr. *LeCavalier*, Mr. *Pozzer* and Mr. *Robert*.

6. Contingencies.—Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, and Mr. *Bellerose*, Mr. *Bellingham*, Mr. *Blais*, Mr. *Brigham*, Mr. *Cantwell*, Mr. *Carter*, Mr. *Clément*, Mr. *Jodoin*, Mr. *LaRue*, Mr. *LeCavalier*, Mr. *Moll*, Mr. *Mailloux*, and Mr. *Picard*.

7. Printing.—Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, and Mr. *Coullée*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Hemming* and Mr. *Joly*.

8. Public Accounts.—Honorable Sir *Geo. E. Cartier*, Bart., and Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, Honorable Mr. Atty.-Gen. *Ouimet*, Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, and Mr. *Bellerose*, Mr. *Bergevin*, Mr. *Cantwell*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *LeCavalier*, Mr. *Mailloux*, Mr. *Poupore*, Mr. *Pozzer*, Mr. *Simard* and Mr. *Verreault*.

9. Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization.—Honorable Mr. *Caucho*n, Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, and Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Bessette*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Clément*, Mr. *Dugas*, Mr. *Fortin*, Mr. *Garon*, Mr. *Gélinas*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Hamilton*, Mr. *Hearn*, Mr. *Jodoin*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *LaRue*, Mr. *Lavallée*, Mr. *Mailloux*, Mr. *Marchand*, Mr. *Mathieu*, Mr. *Picard*, Mr. *Ross*, and Mr. *Tremblay*.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said report.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, requesting that their Honors will unite with this House in the formation of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing, and informing their Honors that the Members of the Standing Committee on Printing, namely: the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Coullée*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Hemming* and Mr. *Joly*, will act as Members of the said Committee on Printing.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. *Chapais*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Chapleau* and Mr. *Marchand*, be appointed to assist Mr. Speaker in the direction of the Library of Parliament, so far as the interests of this House are concerned, and to act as Members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

Resolved, That a Message be sent to the Honorable the Legislative Council, communicating to their Honors the foregoing Resolution.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* do carry the said Message to the Legislative Council.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor,—Public Accounts for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 1.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province of *Quebec*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, be printed for the use of the Members of this House.

Ordered, That the Public Accounts of the Province of *Quebec*, for the fiscal year ending 30th June, 1869, be referred to the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 26th November, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Carter,—The Petition of *Stanley C. Bagg* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

Mr. *Bellerose*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their *quorum* be reduced to five Members.

Ordered, That the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to five Members.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have proceeded to the election of their Chairman, and beg leave to recommend that their *quorum* be reduced to five Members.

Ordered, That the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to five Members.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have proceeded to the election of their Chairman, and beg leave to recommend that their *quorum* be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bellingham* have leave of absence for fifteen days, from the opening of the Session, in consequence of severe illness in his family.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Law respecting the constitution of the Superior Court.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill, intituled : " The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Roy* be added to the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization, and to the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 29th November, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of *La Providence du Côteau du Lac*, and of *La Société Charitable des Dames Catholiques* of Quebec, both for the year ending 31st December, 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Germaine du lac Etchemin*, County of *Dorchester* ; and the Petition of the Reverend *Chas. Hallé* and others, of the Townships of *Aylmer* and *Gayhurst*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Coullée*,—The Petition of the Reverend *C. Dufour* and others, the Director and Ladies of the Asylum of *la Providence de St. Ignace du Côteau du lac*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of the Natural History Society of *Montreal* ;—the Petition of the *Rockland Slate Company* ;—the Petition of *John Kerry* and others, of the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec* ;—and the Petition of *Alexander A. Stevenson* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Pierre Bériau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romuald* of *Farnham* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the *Union St. Joseph* of *Farnham*.

Of *Stanley C. Bagg* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of " the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*."

Of *Charles Ernest Ovide Belle*, of the City of *Montreal*, Notary Public ; praying for the passing of an act, authorizing him to keep the minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, his father, Notary, and to deliver authentic copies thereof.

Of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, of the City of *Quebec* ;—of the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, of the City of *Montreal* ;—of *les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence* of the City of *Montreal* ;—of *les Dames Religieuses de l'Hôpital de la Ville de St. Jean* ; severally praying for aid.

Of *les Dames Religieuses de l'Hôpital de la Ville de St. Jean* ; praying aid for an Asylum in the said Town.

Of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying aid for the *Asile de la Providence*, in the said City.

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot* of the City of *Montreal* ; praying aid for the Nazareth Street Home, *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot*, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying aid for the Bonaventure Street Home, *Montreal*.

Of the Reverend *V. Rousselot* of the City of *Montreal* ; praying aid for the institution for the Blind, in the said City.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Standing Committee on Expiring Laws, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their *quorum* be reduced to five Members.

Ordered, that the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to five Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, from the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration, and Colonization, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their *quorum* be reduced to Seven Members.

Ordered, That the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to seven Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hamilton*, have leave of absence for the space of Three weeks, in consequence of severe illness in his family.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bachand*, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend certain Articles therein mentioned, of the Code of Civil Procedure of Lower Canada.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly of this Province, a copy of a Proclamation issued by the Right Honorable Sir *John Young*, Baronet, Governor-General of *Canada*, bearing date the 23rd day of October last, concerning and respecting "An Act for amending the Law relating to the Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions," being an Act Chapter 2, of the United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and *Ireland*, held and passed in the 32nd year of Her Majesty's Reign.

Government House, }
Quebec, 26th November, 1869. }

OTTAWA, 1st November, 1869.

SIR,

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith, a copy of the *Canada Gazette* of the 30th ultimo, containing a Proclamation of the Imperial Act, 32 *Victoria*, Chapter 2, respecting the Coasting Trade and Merchant Ship-

ping, and to request you to draw the attention of the Government of the Province of *Quebec*, to the provisions of the act.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Signed,)

E. A. MEREDITH,
Under Secretary of State.

To the Honorable
Sir N. F. BELLEAU,
Lieutenant-Governor,
Quebec.

JOHN YOUNG, }
Canada. }

VICTORIA, by the Grace of GOD, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To all to whom these presents shall come, or whom the same may in any-wise concern, Greeting :

JOHN A. MACDONALD, } **W**HEREAS, by an Act of the Parliament of
Attorney-General, } Our United Kingdom of *Great Britain* and
Canada. } *Ireland*, passed in the session thereof held in the
Thirty-second year of Our Reign, and intituled : " An Act for amending the
law relating to the Coasting Trade and Merchant Shipping in British
Possessions," it is amongst other things enacted that the said Act shall be
proclaimed in every British Possession by the Governor thereof, as soon
as may be after he receives notice of the said Act, and shall come into
operation in that British Possession on the day of such Proclamation,
which is in the said Act after referred to, as the commencement of the said
Act. Now KNOW YE, that Our Governor of *Canada* having received
notice of the said Act, We do hereby on this Twenty-Third day of October,
in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, pro-
claim in the Dominion of *Canada*, being a British Possession within the
meaning of the same, the Act hereinbefore mentioned, which is as follows,
that is to say : " An Act for amending the Law relating to the Coasting
Trade and Merchant Shipping in British Possessions." Be it enacted by the
Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of
the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parlia-
ment assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

PRELIMINARY.

1. " This Act may be cited as, " The Merchant Shipping," (Colonial Act,) 1869.

2. " In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires.

The term " British Possession" means any territory or place situate within Her Majesty's Dominions, and not forming part of the United Kingdom or of the Channel Islands, or Isle of Man, and all territories and

places under one Legislature as hereinafter defined are deemed to be one British Possession for the purposes of this Act.

The term "Legislature," includes any person or persons who exercise Legislative authority in the British Possession, and where there are Local Legislatures as well as a Central Legislature, means the Central Legislature only.

8. "This Act shall be proclaimed in every British Possession by the Governor thereof, as soon as may be after he receives Notice of this Act, and shall come into operation in that British Possession on the day of such Proclamation, which day is hereinafter referred to as the commencement of this Act.

COASTING TRADE.

4. "After the commencement of this Act, the Legislature of a British Possession, by any Act or Ordinance, from time to time, may regulate the Coasting Trade of that British Possession, subject in every case to the following conditions :

(1.) "The Act or Ordinance shall contain a suspending clause, providing that such Act or Ordinance shall not come into operation until Her Majesty's pleasure thereon has been publicly signified in the British Possession in which it has been passed.

(2.) "The Act or Ordinance shall treat all British Ships, including the Ships of any British Possession in exactly the same manner as Ships of the British Possession in which it is made.

(3.) "Where by treaty made before the passing of this Act, Her Majesty has agreed to grant to any Ships of any foreign State any rights or privileges in respect of the Coasting Trade of any British Possession, such rights and privileges shall be enjoyed by such Ships for so long as Her Majesty has already agreed or may hereafter agree to grant the same, any thing in the Act or Ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding.

5. "The following Sections of the Customs Consolidation Act, 1853, are hereby repealed, namely :

Section three hundred and twenty-eight as from the commencement of this Act :

Section one hundred and sixty-three as from the date in the case of each British Possession at which either an Act or Ordinance with respect to the Coasting Trade within two years after the commencement of this Act in such British Possession comes into operation, or if there is no such Act or Ordinance at which the said two years expire.

MERCHANT SHIPPING.

6. "It shall be lawful for Her Majesty, by Order in Council, from time to time, to declare with respect to the British Possession mentioned in the order, the description of persons who are to be Registrars of British Ships in that British Possession, and to revoke any order so made." After the date specified in the order, or if no date is specified after the date of the Proclamation of the order in the British Possession, the order shall have effect as if it were contained in section thirty of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1854.

7. In the construction of the "Merchant Shipping Act 1854," and of the Act amending the same, *Canada* shall be deemed to be one British Possession.

8. Where the Legislature of any British Possession provides for the examination of, and grants certificates of competency to persons intending to act as Masters, Mates, or Engineers on Board British Ships, and the Board of Trade reports to Her Majesty that they are satisfied that the examinations are so conducted as to be equally efficient as the examinations for the same purpose in the United Kingdom, under the Acts relating to Merchant Shipping, and that the certificates are granted on such principles as to show the like qualifications and competency as those granted under the said Acts, and are liable to be forfeited for the like reasons and in the like manner it shall be lawful for Her Majesty by Order in Council.

1. "To declare that the said certificates shall be of the same force as if they had been granted under the said Acts.

2. "To declare that all or any of the provisions of the said Acts which relate to certificates of competency granted under those Acts, shall apply to the certificates referred to in the said order.

3. "To impose such conditions and to make such regulations with respect to the said certificates, and to the use, issue, delivery, cancellation, and suspension thereof, as to Her Majesty may seem fit, and to impose penalties not exceeding fifty pounds for the breach of such conditions and regulations. Upon the publication in the *London Gazette* of any such Order in Council as last aforesaid, the provisions therein contained shall, from a date to be mentioned for the purpose in such order, take effect as if they had been contained in this Act.

"It shall be lawful for Her Majesty in Council to revoke any order made under the section."

Of all which, all Our loving subjects are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

In Testimony whereof, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of *Canada* to be hereunto affixed; Witness Our Trusty and Well-Beloved The Right Honorable Sir *John Young*, Baronet, One of Our Most Honorable Privy Council, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most Honorable Order of the Bath, Knight Grand Cross of Our Most distinguished Order of *Saint Michael* and *St. George*, Governor General of *Canada*.

Ottawa, this twenty-third day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine, and the thirty-third year of Our Reign.

By Command,

HECTOR L. LANGEVIN,

Secretary of State.

Ordered, That Mr. *Bessette* have leave to bring in a Bill to exempt homestead and certain other property, under a certain value, from seizure under execution.

He accordingly presented the said bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Marchand* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies incorporation act.

He accordingly presented the said bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to establish a general system of Police in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Hamilton*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, Mr. *Tremblay*, Mr. *Blais*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Church* and Mr. *Ogilvie*, be appointed to enquire into the administration of Justice in the County of *Saguenay*.

On motion of Mr. *Bachand*, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a Statement shewing :

1. The number and the names of the various Colonization Societies, constituted under the Act of last Session, for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies, throughout all the electoral divisions of the Province, the constitution and by-laws of which have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council ; also, specifying the date of the receipt of the report to the Commissioner of each Society, praying to be recognized as a Colonization Society, and the date of the registration of the certificate establishing the formation of each Society, in the office of the Registrar of the Province.

2. What Societies have transmitted to the Commissioner one or more certificates, in conformity with the tenth section of the said Act.

3. The sum of money, which each Society has declared itself to hold, in the possession of the Secretary-Treasurer thereof.

4. The sum of money, which has been paid by the Commissioner to each Society.

5. What Societies have applied, either to the Government or to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, for land for settlers.

And, further, copies of all Orders in Council, specially reserving any Township or part of a Township, for any Colonization Society ; also, copies of all Orders in Council, fixing the number of settlers which each Society must establish on the land which may have been assigned to it, and the delay within which settlers must settle upon the same ; also, the number of lots which may have been given as free grants, to each Colonization Society.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 30th November, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Thérien*,—The Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence* of *Laprairie*, County of *Laprairie*.

By Mr. *Roy*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Perras* and others, of the Parishes of *St. André*, *St. Alexandre* and *Ste. Hélène*, County of *Kamouraska*.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Charles E. O. Belle*, Esquire, of *Montreal* ; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to retain the minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, Esquire, Notary Public, his father, and to deliver authentic copies thereof, and find that the necessary notices have been given.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *P. Bériau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romuald de Farnham* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the *Union St. Joseph de Farnham*, and of *Stanley C. Bagg* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the "Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*," and find that these Petitions are of the nature of those not requiring notice.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brigham* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate The *Union St. Joseph* of *Farnham*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, Notary, of the City of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House, according to order, proceeded to take into consideration the speech of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to both Houses of the Provincial Legislature.

A Message from the Legislative Council, by *Boucher de Boucherville*, Esquire, One of the Masters in Chancery :

MR. SPEAKER,

The Legislative Council acquaint this House, that they have appointed a Committee composed of the Honorable Messieurs *Archambault, Dionne, Hale, Le Maire, de Léry, Rodier* and *Ross* to assist His Honor the Speaker in the direction of the Library of the Legislature, so far as the interests of the Legislative Council are concerned, and to act on behalf of their House as members of a Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library.

And also, the Legislative Council acquaint this House, that they have appointed the Honorable Messieurs *Beaubien, Beaudry, Ferrier, Hale, Thi-baudeau* and *Wood* to act on behalf of the Legislative Council, with the Committee of the Legislative Assembly, as a Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing.

And then he withdrew.

And a motion being made that a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of that motion.

Ordered, That that part of His Excellency's Speech which relates to a Supply, be referred to the said Committee.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the bill to amend the law respecting the constitution of the Superior Court, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be read the third time, on Friday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill, intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*," being read ;

The bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Sir *George Etienne Cartier*, Bart., the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Quimet*, the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Bellerose*, Mr. *Brigham*, Mr. *Picard*, Mr. *Coutlée*, Mr. *Bessette*, Mr. *Blais*, Mr. *Clément*, Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*), Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *LaRue*, Mr. *LeCa-valier*, Mr. *Locke*, Mr. *Mailloux*, Mr. *Moll*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Gélinas*, Mr. *Ross*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Roy* and Mr. *Bergevin* ; to report thereon with all convenient speed ; with power to send for persons, papers and records ; and the 79th Rule of this House was suspended as regards the number of members of the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 1st December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of *Henry Joynt* and others, of the Township of *Frampton*, County of *Dorchester*.

By Mr. *Bachand*,—The Petition of *Tréflé Baudreault* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Cecile de Milton*, County of *Shefford*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of the Reverend *T. H. Leclerc* and others, of the Town of *Terrebonne*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of *William Stoddard* and others, of the City of *Quebec* and other places ; and the Petition of *Thomas Caverhill* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *Grégoire Couture* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *John Kerry* and others, of the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the " College of Pharmacy of the Province of *Quebec*."

Of *Alexander A. Stevenson* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of " the Caledonian Society of *Montreal*."

Of the *Rockland Slate Company* ; praying for amendments to their act of incorporation.

Of the Reverend *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Germaine du Lac Etchemin*, County of *Dorchester* ; and of the Reverend *Charles Hallé* and others, of the Townships of *Aylmer* and *Gayhurst*, County of *Beauce* ; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of the Reverend *C. Dufour* and others, the Director and Ladies of the Asylum of *La Providence de St. Ignace du Côteau du Lac* ; praying for aid.

Of the Natural History Society, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying that their annual grant be continued.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLEAU,

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits to the Legislative Assembly the Report of the Queen's Printer, setting forth the number of copies of the acts of last session printed and distributed by him to the departments, public bodies, officials, and persons, to whom they have been sent, the number of copies given to each one, and the authority under which they were so given ; the number of copies of the acts of each session remaining in his hands, together with a detailed statement of the cost actually incurred by him for the publication and distribution of the said Statutes ; also, the Report of the Queen's Printer relative to the receipts and expenses of the "*Quebec Official Gazette*." (Sessional Papers No 7.)

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the accompanying documents, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the printing of the Legislature.

Mr. *Simard*, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to recommend that their *quorum* be reduced to five Members.

Ordered, That the *quorum* of the said Committee be reduced to five Members.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to render valid certain Notarial Acts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard*, have leave to bring in a Bill to annex a part of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*, for representation purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Benoit* have leave to bring in a Bill to settle certain legitimate successions.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Bachand*, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Quebec*, respecting the power claimed by the Government of the Dominion, under article 90 of the British *North America* Act, to disallow the Acts of the local Legislatures; and more especially copies of all correspondence between the two Governments, respecting the power of this Legislature, to pass the two Acts during last session, intituled, first, "An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of parliamentary papers," and, second, "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province."

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 2nd December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the Male Orphan Asylum of the Church of *England*, *Quebec*, for the Year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. Chapleau,—The Petition of *George Sylvain* and others, *Censitaires* of the Seigniorly "*Nicholas Rioux*," in the County of *Rimouski*; the Petition of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*; and the Petition of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Canut*.

By Mr. Genest,—The Petition of the Reverend *Charles Flavien Baillargeon*, of the City of *Three Rivers*; and the Petition of the Corporation of the College of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. Craig,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. M. Taillon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Anne de Varennes*.

By Mr. Laberge,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Brethour* and others, of the Township of *Godmanchester*, and of the Parish of *St. Malachie d'Ormstown*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of the Very Reverend *A. F. Truteau* and others, of the City of *Montreal*; praying aid for the Deaf and Dumb institution in the said City.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of *Laprairie*, County of *Laprairie*; praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *J. B. Perras* and others, of the Parishes of *St. André*, *St. Alexandre*, and *Ste. Hélène*, County of *Kamouraska*; praying aid to construct a pier

Mr. Bellerose, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have to report that they appointed a Sub-Committee to examine the Books, Vouchers, &c., &c., of the Accountant.

That the said Sub-Committee have reported to your Committee the result of their proceedings.

That your Committee have approved of said report and pray that your Honorable House do adopt the same.

Your Committee have the honor also to submit to your Honorable House the following Resolution, and pray that the same be adopted.

Resolved, That the Report of the Sub-Committee, hereto appended, marked A., to which was submitted the state of the books, accounts and expenditure of the House of Assembly for the ten months, from January 1st, 1869, to November 1st of the same year, be adopted.

The whole respectfully submitted.

JOS. H. BELLEROSE,
Chairman, C. C.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
1st December, 1869.

A.

The Sub-Committee appointed to examine into the Accountant's Books of receipt and expenditure for the House of Assembly, beg leave to report that they have examined the Books, Vouchers and other documents, in the hands of *Laurent Simoneau*, Esquire, Accountant;

That they find the books well kept,—the vouchers all filed and corresponding with the amounts charged in the books.

The period for which such examination was made, was from Jan. 1st, 1869, to Nov. 1st, last past.

The whole expenditure for that period amounts to \$87,187.33 for all purposes, including Indemnity to Members, Salaries of all the officers of the House, Sessional and permanent, Printing and Binding, Stationery, Office furniture and Incidental expenses.

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| The amount actually paid by warrant from the Treasury Department was..... | \$89,500.00 |
| Balance of cash from last year..... | 2,381.61 |
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| | \$91,881.61 |
| From which deduct Expenditure..... | \$87,187.33 |
| Paid to Treasury Department, Balance of former appropriation..... | 135.56 |
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| | 87,322.89 |
| Balance of cash on hand Nov. 1st, 1869, subject to order of Clerk of the House..... | \$4,558.72 |

It is to be remarked that the expenses of printing during the period mentioned far exceed the charge for the same work during the previous year; and this cause alone has made the gross expenditure more than the previous year.

Your Sub-Committee would remark that they cordially approve of the promotion of Mr. *Simoneau* to the position formerly held by Mr. *Fréchette*, at the same salary formerly paid to the latter; and as Mr. *Simoneau* will be without any assistant, except during the actual Session of the House, which entails no additional expense, he will be able to perform all the duties himself, and a saving of his former salary, \$600 per annum, will be made in the expenses of the House.

Your Committee would further recommend the keeping up of the rules established as to the certifying of all accounts, and of ordering any articles needed for the use of the House, and would also intimate the necessity of strictly adhering to the practice of economy in the expenses of the House.

The whole respectfully submitted by

J. G. ROBERTSON.
 JOS. H. BELLEROSE.
 J. S. BRIGHAM.
 N. M. LECAVALIER.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Tremblay*, the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, Mr. *Simard*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Hearn*, Mr. *LaRue*, Mr. *Génést*, Mr. *Rhéaume*, Mr. *Roy* and Mr. *Verreault*, be appointed to inquire into the practicability of continuing the *Gosford Road* to Lake *St. John*; the said Committee to be empowered to obtain for itself reports, maps, and other documents respecting this part of the Territory of the Province of

Quebec, and to examine such persons as the said Committee may deem capable of supplying information calculated to facilitate the work of surveying the same, if such survey is judged necessary, and to report to the House the result of their proceedings.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 3rd December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the Sisters of Charity in charge of the General Hospital of *Montreal*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of *Les Sœurs de la Charité de l'Hôpital Général* of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of the Orphan Asylum ; and the Petition of *Les Dames Directrices de l'Asile des Orphelins Catholiques Romain*, all of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of the *Montreal St. Bridget's* Refuge.

By Mr. *Moll*,—The Petition of *Louis Demers* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel de Brandon*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, of the City of *Quebec* ; and the Petition of the Male Orphan Asylum of the City of *Quebec*, in connection with the Church of *England*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *William Stoddard* and others, of the City of *Quebec* and other places ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of " the *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*."

Of *Thomas Caverhill* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to the acts respecting the taxes on billiard tables.

Of *Treffe Beaudreault* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Cécile de Milton*, County of *Shefford* ; praying for amendments to the act respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads.

Of *Henry Joynt* and others, of the Township of *Frampton*, County of *Dorchester* ; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Reverend *T. H. Leclerc* and others, of the Town of *Terrebonne* ; praying for an annual grant in favor of the *Masson* College.

Of *Grégoire Couture* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying that the prosecutions commenced against *Louis Prévost* and *Louis Marois*, be at once proceeded with.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Alexander A. Sterenson* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying to be incorporated under

the name of the "Caledonian Society of *Montreal*," and find that the said Petition is not of a nature requiring the publication of notice.

Ordered, that Mr. *Church* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The Caledonian Society of *Montreal*."

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate the taking of evidence in Civil Cases.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House,—Report of the Commissioner appointed to inquire into all the circumstances relating to the presenting of a Petition to this House by the Honorable *I. E. Thibaudeau* and others, to which false signatures or signatures previously obtained for different purposes, appear to have been attached. (Sessional Papers, No. 8.)

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Ordered,—That the said Report be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the subject of the Legislative Printing.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace with more extensive jurisdiction.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Indemnity to Members and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

And the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee;

Mr. *Joly* moved, in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words, "This House is of opinion that it is urgently necessary to settle, in a definite manner, the question of the Indemnity to Members, and that this House does now express its opinion, that such indemnity should not exceed the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, for each session," inserted instead thereof.

Mr. *Marchand* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *LeCavalier*, That the words, "This House is of opinion that it is urgently necessary to settle, in a definite manner, the question of the Indemnity to Members, and that this House does now express its opinion that such indemnity should not exceed the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars, for each session," be left out, and the words, "The Members of the *Quebec* Parliament are perfectly satisfied to do their work for nothing, and that Legislation will be better carried out in this way," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment, it was negatived on a division.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the original Question, the House divided, and the names being called for; they were taken down, as follow :

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (Mas-</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Pozer,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>kinongé,)</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Molleur,</i> | <i>Sénécal,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Hearn,</i> | <i>Ogilvie,</i> | <i>Tremblay, and</i> |
| <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> | <i>Verreault,—23.</i> |

NAYS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Irvine (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume.</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Sicard, and</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> | <i>Thérien.—31.</i> |

So it passed in the negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the act thirty-first *Victoria*, chapter five, intituled : "An Act respecting the indemnity to Members of the Legislature and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly" as revived and amended by the act thirty-second *Victoria*, chapter two, be re-enacted and made per-

manent in such a manner that all provisions thereof touching the salary of such Speaker, shall apply to this and every subsequent year, and all touching the indemnity to such Members to this and every subsequent session.

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gendron* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

A Bill to amend the Law respecting the constitution of the Superior Court was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day being read, for the House to resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the motion proposed on Thursday, 30th November last, "That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty;" the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's Speech read,

Resolved, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty
Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution,

Ordered, That the Report be received on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the Second reading of the Bill to amend certain articles therein mentioned of the Code of Civil Procedure of Lower Canada, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a Second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Bachand*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Chapleau* and Mr. *Genest*; to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* be added to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 6th December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Gélinas*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Hilaire Millier*, on behalf of the General Hospital of the District of *Richelieu*.

By Mr. *Lavallée*,—The Petition of *L'Union St. Joseph* of the City of *Montreal*; and the Petition of *L'Union St. Jacques*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *John C. Thomson* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of *A. Beaudry* and others, of the Village of *Aylmer*, County of *Ottawa*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *George Sylvain* and others, *Censitaires* of the Seigniori "*Nicolas Rioux*," in the County of *Rimouski*; praying that certain errors made in the *cadastre* of the said Seigniori be remedied.

Of the Reverend *W. Brethour* and others, of the Township of *Godmanchester*, and of the Parish of *St. Malachie d'Ormstown*; praying that the act, intituled: "An Act to authorize the survey of a boundary line between the Seigniori of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester* and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a road, be repealed.

Of *Louis Demers* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel de Brandon*; praying that it be regulated by Statute—whether their lands form part of the Crown Lands or of the Seigniori of *Lanaudière*.

Of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jérôme*; and of the Reverend *A. Labelle* and others, of the Parish of *St. Canut*; severally praying that the land be surveyed, and a Colonization Road be opened west of *Ste. Agathe*.

Of the Corporation of the College of *Three Rivers*; praying for an annual grant.

Of the Reverend *Charles Flavien Baillargeon*, of the City of *Three Rivers*; praying aid for the Convent of the *Sœurs de la Charité*, in the said City.

Of the Reverend *L. M. Taillon* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne de Varennes*; praying aid for the *Hospice de Lagemmerais*.

Of *les Sœurs de la Charité de l'Hôpital Général*;—of the Orphan Asylum;—of *les Dames Directrices de l'Asile des Orphelins Catholiques Romains*; and of the *Montreal St. Bridget's* Refuge, all of the City of *Montreal*;—of the Male Orphan Asylum in connection with the Church of *England*; and of the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, of the City of *Quebec*; severally praying for aid.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the petition of *William Stoddard* and others; praying for an Act of Incorporation under the name of the "*Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*," and find that the Notices in the local newspapers have been only published for seven weeks, but inasmuch as the two months will expire before the Bill comes under the consideration of the Private Bills' Committee, they recommend to Your Honorable House the suspension of the 51st Rule.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Select Committee on the Bill, intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of

Quebec," presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have the honor to report to Your Honorable House ;

That at their last sitting they named a Sub-Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. *Ouimet*, and Messrs. *Hemming, Bachand, Gendron, Church, Mailloux, Desaulniers (Maskinongé)* and *Ross*, to examine a Bill, intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*" and its amendments, with instructions to report from time to time to your Committee the result of their labors.

Your Committee have the honor also to submit to your Honorable House, the following Resolution, and to pray that the same be adopted :

Resolved, That the members composing the Sub-Committee, until such time as they have reported upon the said Municipal Code and its amendments, be exempted from attending the meetings of any of the other Committees to which they may respectively belong.

Mr. *Bellerose*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House, the Third Report of the said Committee; which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have the honor to submit to Your Honorable House, the Estimates hereto annexed, which have been prepared by the Accountant, of the amount that will be required for the contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly, from the second to the thirty-first of the present month.

According to this estimate, the amount required will be \$52,000.00.

Your Committee, satisfied with the reasonableness of these Estimates, accordingly recommend to Your Honorable House the adoption of the following Resolution :

That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying him to issue his Warrant, in favor of *George Manly Muir*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Fifty-two thousand dollars (\$52,000.00), towards defraying the contingent expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

JOS. H. BELLEROSE,

P. C. C.

ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE,
2nd December, 1869.

STATEMENT of sums required to meet the disbursements of the Legislative Assembly, from this date to the 31st December, 1869.

| | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. |
|---------------------------------|-------|------|--------|------|
| Indemnity to Members..... | 40104 | 00 | | |
| Salaries..... | 2541 | 56 | | |
| Extra Service..... | 765 | 00 | | |
| Messengers..... | 578 | 00 | | |
| Stationery..... | 28 | 44 | | |
| Printing and Binding..... | 7400 | 00 | | |
| Newspapers and Advertising..... | 45 | 40 | | |
| MISCELLANEOUS: | | | | |
| Permanent women | \$ 24 | 80 | | |
| Extra Charwomen. | 108 | 80 | | |
| Washing | 4 | 00 | | |
| Postage and Telegrams..... | 400 | 00 | | |
| | | 537 | | 60 |
| Being amount provided..... | | | 52,000 | 00 |

L. SIMONEAU,
Accountant,
L. A.

On motion of Mr. Bellerose, seconded by Mr. Picard,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to issue his Warrant in favor of *George Manly Muir*, Esquire, the Clerk of this House, for the sum of Fifty-two thousand dollars, towards defraying the Contingent Expenses of this House, and assuring His Excellency that this House will make good the same.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House, as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Select Committee on the Bill, intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*."

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to incorporate "The *Quebec, New York and Boston* Lumber Company," in accordance with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Standing Orders.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, the Government of the Dominion of *Canada* and the arbitrators, since the last session of this Parliament, respecting the division of the surplus of the debt of the late Province of *Canada*.

On motion of Mr. *Bachand*, seconded by Mr. *Benoit*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Dominion and of *Quebec*, since the first day of February last, respecting immigration ; and also, copies of all Orders in Council on the same subject.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 7th December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the *Quebec* Literary and Historical Society for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

Mr. Speaker acquainted the House, that his Warrant for the appointment of Members to serve on the General Committee of Elections was on the table :

And the said Warrant was read as followeth :

Pursuant to the thirty-first section of Chapter seven of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled : "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections.

I do hereby appoint *Henri Gustave Joly*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral Division of *Lotbinière* ; *Joseph Hyacinthe Bellerose*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral Division of *Laval* ; *Antoine Cartier de Lotbinière-Harwood*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral Division of *Vaudreuil* ; *Edward Carter*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral Division of *Montreal Centre* ; *Pierre Bachand*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral Division of *St. Hyacinthe* ; and *Edward John Hemming*, Esquire, representative of the Electoral Division of *Drummond* and *Arthabaska*, to be Members of the General Committee of Elections for the present Session.

Given under my hand, this seventh day of December, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-nine.

J. G. BLANCHET,
Speaker, Leg. Assy.

Pursuant to the 46th section of Chapter 7, of the Consolidated Statutes of the late Province of *Canada*, intituled : "An Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections," the Clerk read over an alphabetical List of the Members of the House.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of *Octave Roy* and others, of the Township of *Armagh*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. Pellissier* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the *Huntington Mining Company*.

By Mr. *Lavallée*,—The Petition of *l'Asile de la Providence* of the Town of *Joliette*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of *L. M. Lapointe* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; and the Petition of *David A. Ross* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Hearn*,—The Petition of the *St. Bridget's Asylum Association* of the City of *Quebec*.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and have made several amendments to each, which they submit for the consideration of your Honorable House,

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Union St. Joseph* of *Farnham*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the Caledonian Society of Montreal."

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of the School of Medicine and Surgery of the City of *Montreal*,—of *l'Asile de la Providence of St. Henri de Mascouche*, and of *les Sœurs de la Charité de l'Hospice Lajemmerais*, at *Varennnes*, all for the year 1869, and the Annual Report of the Commissioners appointed for the relief of Indigent Invalids, in the District of *Quebec*. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 1st December, 1869, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Quebec*, respecting the power claimed by the Government of the Dominion, under article 90 of the British *North America* Act, to disallow the acts of the Local Legislatures, and the power of this Legislature to pass the two acts during last session, intituled, first, " An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary Papers," and, second, " An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province." (Sessional Papers No. 9.)

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLEAU,

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, copy of an order of His Excellency the Governor General in Council, refusing to sanction an act passed by the Legislature of the Province of *Quebec* during its last Session, intituled : " An Act to define the privileges immunities and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of Parliamentary Papers," together with a copy of the despatch accompanying the same. (Sessional Papers No. 9.)

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 7th December, 1869.

Ordered, That the said message, together with the accompanying documents, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

Mr. *Gendron* reported, from the Committee of the whole House to consider a certain proposed Resolution respecting the Indemnity to Mem-

bers of the Legislature and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, a Resolution, which was read, as followeth :

Resolved, That the act thirty-first *Victoria*, chapter five, intituled: "An Act respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly," as revived and amended by the act thirty-second *Victoria*, chapter two, be re-enacted and made permanent, in such a manner that all provisions thereof, touching the salary of such Speaker, shall apply to this and every subsequent year, and all touching the indemnity to such members, to this and every subsequent session.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee to whom it was referred, to consider the motion, "That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty," a Resolution, which was read, as followeth :

That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

The said Resolution being read a second time;

Resolved, That this House doth agree with the Committee in the said Resolution, That a Supply be granted to Her Majesty.

Resolved, That this House will, on Friday next, resolve itself into a Committee to consider of the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

The Order of the Day for the Second reading of the Bill to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace with more extensive jurisdiction, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time, and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

Resolved, That a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Marchand*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Benoit*, Mr. *Blais*, Mr. *Carter* and Mr. *Molleur*, be appointed to inquire into the advisability and the best means of establishing in this Province, Deposit Offices or establishments for the reception of the deposits required by law and judicial authority, stipulated by agreement, or rendered necessary between individuals by special circumstances; to report thereon with all convenient speed, with power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Ordered, That Mr. *Simard* be added to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday next

Thursday, 9th December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of *Hospice St. Joseph of Beauharnois*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Gendron,—The Petition of the Honorable *Lewis T. Drummond* and *Antoine Brodeur*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Ogilvie,—The Petition of *William Tait* and others ; the Petition of the Faculty of Medicine of *McGill University* ; the Petition of Mrs. *Catherine Simpson* and others, Directresses and Managers of the House of Refuge ; the Petition of the *Montreal Ladies Benevolent Society* ; and the Petition of the *St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum*, all of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. Church,—The Petition of the *Montreal Protestant House of Industry and Refuge*.

By Mr. LaRue,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. Provencher*, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. Cantwell,—The Petition of *Samuel W. Foster*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of the Bar of the Province of *Quebec*, section of the District of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of *L. Dumouchel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel*, County of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. Jasmin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Janvier*.

By Mr. *Lavallée*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Dupuis*, of the Parish of *Ste. Elizabeth*, County of *Joliette*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *John C. Thomson* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying for an act of incorporation, under the name of the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*.

Of *A. Beaudry* and others, of the Village of *Aylmer*, County of *Ottawa* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the *Union St. Joseph of St. Paul d'Aylmer*.

Of *l'Union St. Joseph* ; and of *l'Union St. Jacques*, both of the City of *Montreal* ; severally praying for amendments to their acts of incorporation.

Of the Reverend *Hilaire Millier*, on behalf of the General Hospital of the District of *Richelieu* ; and of the *Asile de la Providence*, of the Town of *Joliette* ; severally praying for aid.

Of *David A. Ross* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying amendments to the act of incorporation of the said City.

Of *L. M. Lapointe* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; complaining of the conduct of certain employees of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, and praying relief.

Of *Octave Roy* and others, of the Township of *Armagh*, County

of *Bellechasse* ; praying the Government to make them free grants of lands.

Of the *Huntington Mining Company* ; praying aid for a road ;

Of the *St. Bridget's Asylum Association* of the City of *Quebec* ; praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of the Reverend *L. Pellissier* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying aid for the *Asile Bethléem*, in the said City.

On motion of Mr. *Simard*, seconded by Mr. *Hearn*,

Ordered, That the Clerk of this House do erase the name of Mr. *Benoit Marquette*, from the Petition of *L. M. Lapointe* and others.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

The Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing beg to submit as their First Report that of its Sub-Committee upon the Printing accounts for the past year, and the report made by their Clerk, and they respectfully recommend the same for consideration.

Your Committee recommend that the Report of the Commissioner appointed to inquire into all the circumstances respecting the presentation of a Petition before this House by the Honorable *I. E. Thibaudeau* and others, be printed and distributed as soon as possible during the course of the Session.

Your Committee further recommend that a Sub-Committee, to be composed of the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, the Honorable Mr. *Hale*, the Honorable Mr. *Beaudry* and Mr. *Joly*, be appointed to examine the documents referred to them, and report from time to time those that they recommend to be printed or otherwise.

The whole respectfully submitted,

J. O. BEAUBIEN.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,

No. 3, Committee Room,

Quebec, 2nd December, 1869.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee of both Houses on Printing :

Your Sub-Committee, appointed to examine the Printing accounts of both Houses, for the year expired, and to take into consideration the Clerk's Report, have the honor to submit the following as their Report :

The books and accounts have been examined and found to be correct :

Your Sub-Committee recommend strict adherence to the 58th Rule of the Legislative Assembly, respecting the printing of Private Bills by the contractor for printing the Bills of the Legislature, and to the 94th Rule of the Legislative Assembly ;

On motion for printing any paper being offered, the same shall be first submitted to the Standing Committee on Printing for report, before the question is put thereon, and also to the corresponding Rules of the Legislative Council.

That a Sub-Committee of four Members be appointed to examine the documents submitted to them, and report, from time to time, to your Committee, those that should be printed and those that should not.

Your Sub-Committee, upon examining the schedule of prices for the Printing contracts, mentioned in the Clerk's report, find the same to be reasonable; they consider them a fair average of those already submitted to the General Committee, and recommend them accordingly as a basis for the contracts, upon the conditions therein stated.

Your Sub-Committee recommend that the printing of all documents required for the Legislature be done through the Clerk of this Committee, who is instructed to oversee the expenses of this branch of the service.

Your Sub-Committee further recommend that all the printing for the Departments of the Public Service be entrusted to the Queen's Printer, under the direction of their respective chiefs.

The whole respectfully submitted.

EDWD. HALE.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Quebec, 30th November, 1869.

Office of the Clerk of the Joint Committee on Printing.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee for both Houses on Printing.

Mr. CHAIRMAN:—

Pursuant to the Standing order of the Committee, I have the honor to submit to you the accounts for the printing, paper and binding of both Houses for the year just past.

The Printing has been done by different parties at *Quebec*, *Lévis*, *Three Rivers*, and *Montreal*. The binding, with the exception of a few pamphlets, was done by a binder of *Quebec*. The accounts are accompanied with vouchers; those of the Honorable the Legislative Council numbered from 1 to 290; and those of the Legislative Assembly from 1 to 668, in all 958.

The amount expended is divided as follows:

For the Honorable the Legislative Council.

| | |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Printing..... | \$1302 48 |
| Printing paper..... | 225 38 |
| Binding..... | 70 08 |
| | ————— 1597 94 |

Legislative Assembly.

| | |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Printing..... | \$12286 74 |
| Printing paper..... | 4652 91 |
| Binding..... | 282 75 |
| | ————— 17222 40 |

Total..... \$18820 34

The above figures show an increase over those of last year for this branch of the service. This is almost entirely owing to the quantity of work done being greatly increased by the printing of the departmental reports and municipal code.

With a view to carry out the economy proposed by your Honorable Committee, I deem it fitting to suggest that a Sub-Committee, composed of five members, with a quorum of three, be appointed to examine and report, from time to time, during the Session, upon the advisability of printing the documents referred to the Committee. By this means it would be easy to order the printing of those that should be sessional and so avoid the expense of composing them anew.

The delay in the distribution of the Journals of last Session, as also of the documents not yet distributed, was owing to several causes:—

The Journal was delivered at the Legislative Assembly Post Office about the end of August; but as the officers of the City Post-Office refused to forward them *gratis*, the Clerk was unwilling to take upon himself the unusual expense, and their distribution was withheld.

Of the documents of last session, the portion printed at *Quebec* was ready about the middle of September, but those from *Montreal* were delayed until the 18th of November instant. They are now in the binder's hands and will soon be distributed.

Presuming that the agreements for the Legislative Printing are on the eve of completion, it is highly desirable to put in force the 58th Rule of the Legislative Assembly, that the printing of the Private Bills, should be done by the same party as those of the House. The advantage of an uniform tariff will be felt alike by the House and the promoters of Private Bills.

I have the honor to submit to your Honorable Committee the schedule A. herewith annexed, showing the data to form the basis of a contract with Messrs. *A. Côté* and *J. J. Foote*, of *Quebec*, and Messrs. *Duvernay* of *Montreal*. Schedule B. shows the distribution of the documents to be printed.

The contract will be signed within a short time unless your Honorable Committee should report unfavorably thereon.

Although the printing of the Statutes and *Official Gazette* has so far formed the matter of a separate contract, I have judged it proper to add to Schedule A. for the information of your Honorable Committee, the advantageous terms upon which this will be done in future.

The saving effected in this last item will be considerable, and the speedy distribution of the Statutes cannot fail to be pleasing to the public at large.

The whole respectfully submitted.

C. F. LANGLOIS,
C. J. C. P.

Schedule A.

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT RESPECTING LEGISLATIVE PRINTING, &c.

Quebec, December, 1869.

Office of the Joint Committee of Printing for the Legislature of the Province of Quebec.

PRINTING.

| | \$ | cts. |
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| Bills, type kept standing, per 1000 m's..... | 00 | 40 |
| Statutes, per 1000 m's..... | 00 | 20 |
| Votes and Proceedings of both Houses, per 1000 m's..... | 00 | 40 |
| Other Printing, per 1000 m's..... | 00 | 33 |
| Presswork per token of 250 Impressions of 8 pages Royal or Foolscap..... | 00 | 20 |
| Alterations per hour..... | 00 | 20 |
| Alterations of Headings per sheet of 8 pages..... | 00 | 50 |
| For changing minutes of Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly into Journal form, per 1000 m's..... | 00 | 05 |
| Folding per sheet..... | 00 | 0 ¹ / ₆ |
| Folding and Stitching, (including inserting tables) per sheet, i. e., each Table reckoned as a sheet..... | 00 | 0 ¹ / ₂ |
| Covering Pamphlets in blue cover, including composition, presswork and paper, so much per copy..... | 00 | 01 |

PAPER.

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|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|----|
| Royal No. 1, Fine quality, per ream of 26 lbs., Sample sheets to accompany Tender..... | 3 | 40 |
| Royal No. 2, ordinary quality, per ream of 13 lbs., Sample sheets to accompany Tender..... | 3 | 00 |
| Blue Paper, 20 lbs..... | 3 | 00 |
| Foolscap, 12 lbs..... | 1 | 60 |

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT FOR PRINTING.

1. The Printing work to be comprised under three heads—*Plain, Catalogue and Tabular*.
2. *Plain Matter*.—To consist of all the ordinary matter in the Journals, Appendices, and Sessional Papers, including the Divisions and Index, to be printed in Long Primer type, and to be charged at *one price*.
3. *Catalogue Work*.—To consist of all matter requiring two lines across and two lines down the page, and to be charged *one price and a half*.
4. *Tabular Work*.—To consist of all matter, at least two lines across and three lines down the page, and to be charged at *two prices*. (Head and foot lines in the above are not counted.)
5. *Catalogue and Tabular Work* to be printed with minion or such other type as may be directed by the Clerk of the Committee.

6. The Votes and Proceedings of both Houses, as well as the Orders of the Day, in both languages, to be printed in Long Primer, and to be delivered at half-past eight o'clock on the morning after each sitting.
7. The Bills, in both languages, to be printed in Small Pica type, with Brevier notes, type kept standing.
8. The Journals and Appendices, in both languages, to be completed by the Contractor within two months, and Statutes one month after the close of the Session.
9. The Sessional Papers, in both languages, to be completed by the Contractor within two months after the close of each session.
10. The Contractor may be required to have as many pages of matter standing at a time as the case may require according to his work, without any other compensation than the price allowed for the composition.
11. No charge will be allowed for blank pages, nor for customary corrections, nor for over-hours or delays, nor any other charge, except such as are contained in the above form.
12. The printed sheets of the Journals, Appendices and Sessional Papers, must be well and thoroughly pressed between glazed boards, and delivered to the Contractor for Binding, free of charge.
13. The type to be clear and good, and the ink black and of good quality, and the whole of the work to be executed in a workmanlike manner, and to the entire satisfaction of both Houses.
14. The Clerk of the Printing Committee to be furnished by the Printer with a memorandum of the cost accompanying each document in detail.
15. The contract may be annulled upon three months' notice given by either party.
16. Charges for alterations to be allowed only for incorrect copy, and such charges to be computed only for the time necessarily and actually taken by the compositor.
17. The Printer to deliver all printed matter at the several offices of the two Houses without charge, in such manner and form as may be directed by the proper officers.
18. In all cases 20 per cent, may be retained till the service is faithfully performed.
19. Should the Contractors, or any of them, be at any time backward in their work, the Committee reserve the right to have the same performed elsewhere, deducting from their account the difference, if any, in the cost.
20. The Contractors to be subject to the Reviser and Examiner of Accounts, in each House, on all points.

C. F. LANGLOIS,

C. J. C. P.

SCHEDULE B.

DISTRIBUTION OF PRINTING.

A. Côté,—Official Gazette, Composition per 1000 m's,
 New Matter..... 35 cts.
 Matter Reproduced. 5 cts.
 Printing per token of 8 pages, foolscap.... 35 cts.
 Paper, quadruple foolscap, 30 lbs.....\$3.60 cts.
 French Bills, type kept standing,
 French Statutes,
 Sessional documents requiring immediate despatch,
 Journal and Appendices, French.

J. J. Foote,—English Bills, type kept standing.
 " Statutes,
 Sessional documents requiring immediate despatch,
 Journal and Appendices, English,
 Votes and Proceedings and Orders of the Legisla-
 tive Assembly.

N. Duvernay,—Departmental Reports and Sessional documents .
 not requiring immediate despatch.

H. Fabre,—Orders of the Day,
 Minutes of proceedings,
 Journal of the Legislative Council.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 27th *Victoria*, Cap. 9, respecting the sale of lands by Municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the subject of the Printing of the Legislature.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 1st December, 1869, for copies of all correspondence between the Governments of *Canada* and *Quebec*, respecting the power claimed by the Government of the Dominion, under article 90, of the British *North America* Act, to disallow the acts of the Local Legislatures, and more especially copies of all correspondence between the two Governments, respecting the power of this Legislature, to pass the two acts during last session, intituled, first, "An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly of *Quebec*, and to give summary protection to persons employed in the publication of parliamentary papers," and, second, "An Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province," be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

Mr. *Joly* moved, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, and the question being proposed, That the delay in settling the division of the surplus of the debt of the late Province of *Canada*, between the Provinces of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, is injurious to the interests of this Province.

And a debate arising thereupon ;

And it being Six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message :—

The Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the law respecting the constitution of the Superior Court," without any amendment.

And then he withdrew.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate " The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Union St. Joseph of Farnham*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate " The Caledonian Society of *Montreal*," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

And the Debate on the Question, That the delay in settling the division of the surplus of the debt of the late Province of *Canada*, between the Provinces of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, is injurious to the interests of this Province, being resumed.

And the Question being put, the House divided ; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

YEAS :

Messieurs

Bachand,
Benoit,

Joly,
Laberge,

Marchand,
Molleur,

Robert, and
Scnécal.—8.

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Pozer,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Wood,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>kinongé,)</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Simard,</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> | <i>Tremblay, and</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> | <i>Verreault.—45]</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Ogilvie,</i> | |

So it passed in the Negative.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies incorporation act, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and referred to a Select Committee composed of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*, the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Beaubien*, Mr. *Picard*, Mr. *Benoit*, Mr. *Genest*, Mr. *Marchand*, and Mr. *Molleur* ; to report thereon with all convenient speed ; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to render valid certain Notarial Acts, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 10th December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Brigham*,—The Petition of *A. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romauld de Farnham*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *L. Charlebois* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Thérèse*, County of *Terrebonne* ; and the Petition of *H. Hogan* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Germain du Lac Etchemin*.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the necessary notices have been given in each case :

The Petition of *George Sylvain* and others, *Censitaires* of the Seigniori of *Nicolas Rioux* ; praying for the correction of certain errors committed in the drawing up of the *cadastre* of the said Seigniori ;

The Petition of the Reverend *W. Brethour* and others, of the Township of *Godmanchester* and the Parish of *St. Malachy* of *Ormstown* ; praying that the Act 20th *Victoria*, Cap. 119, intituled : " An Act to authorize the Survey of a division line between the Seigniori of *Beauharnois*, the Township of *Godmanchester* and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a road, be repealed."

Your Committee have also examined the following Petitions, and find that they are of the nature of those which do not require the publication of notice :

The Petition of *John C. Thomson* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*St. Andrew's Society* of *Quebec*."

The Petition of *A. Beaudry* and others, of the Village of *Aylmer* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of *L'Union St. Joseph de St. Paul d'Aylmer*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in a Bill to remedy certain errors committed in drawing up the *cadastre* of the Seigniori *Nicolas Rioux*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace with more extensive jurisdiction ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered,—That the Bill be read a third time, on Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day, for the Second reading of the Bill respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and ordered to be read the third time, on Thursday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to establish a general system of Police in this Province, being read ;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. *Joly* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon, and it being Six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montréal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers*, (*Maskinongé*), reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Union St. Joseph* of *Farnham*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Gendron* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House, according to Order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate "The Caledonian Society of *Montréal*," and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

And the Debate on the amendment to the Question, That the Bill to establish a general system of Police in this Province be now read a second time; and which amendment was, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months," added at the end thereof, having been resumed.

And the House having continued to sit until after Twelve of the clock, on Saturday morning;

Saturday, 11th December, 1869.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided; and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

YEAS :

Messieurs

*Bachand,
Benoit,*

*Hearn,
Joly,*

*Laberge,
Marchand,*

*Molleur, and
Robert—8.*

NAYS:

Messieurs

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|-------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Ogilvie,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (Maski-</i> | <i>Iryine (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>nongé,)</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Pozer,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St.</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Simard,</i> |
| <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> | <i>Thérien, and</i> |
| <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> | <i>Verreault—45.</i> |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Friday next.

And the House having continued to sit till thirty-five minutes past Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 13th December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statements of the affairs of *la Salle d'Asile Rue Bonaventure* ; and of *la Salle d'Asile Nazareth et de l'institution des Aveugles*, both of the City of *Montreal*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Benoit*,—The Petition of *Joseph Fontaine* and others, of the Parish of *St. Patrice de Sherrington*, County of *Napierville*.

By Mr. *Jodoin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Thibault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Chambly* ; and the Petition of *A. A. Boudreau* and others, of the Parish of *Lougueuil*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of *Hugh Kelly* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Joseph* and *St. Edouard de Frampton* ; and the Petition of *Patrick Cassidy* and others, of the Township of *Cranbourne*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Directors of the *Quebec Dispensary*.

By Mr. *Lavallée*,—The Petition of *l'Union St. Pierre de Montréal*.

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of the *Montreal Dispensary*.

By Mr. *Pozer*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Forsyth*.

By Mr. *Hearn*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Clément*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Louis de l'Isle aux Coudres*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of the *Montreal* Warehousing Company ; and the Petition of *J. D. Kennedy* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Laberge*,—The Petition of *Antoine Couillard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*, County of *Chateauguay*.

By Mr. *Moll*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. J. Desautels* and others, of the Parish of *St. Damien*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *A. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romuald de Farnham* ; praying for an act of incorporation, under the name of "*Société St. Jean-Baptiste de St. Romuald de Farnham*."

Of *William Tait* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to the Act, intituled : "An Act to enable the *Fabrique* of the Parish of *Notre Dame of Montreal* to remove the bodies buried in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and to enlarge the new Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*."

Of *H. Hogan* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to the Act, intituled : "An Act to amend the Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Montreal*, and for other purposes."

Of the Reverend *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Germaine du Lac Etchemin* ; praying that the said Parish may be civilly erected.

Of the Honorable *Lewis T. Drummond* and *Antoine Brodeur*, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying that the survey and *bornage* of the division line between the Townships of *Grantham* and *Upton* be sanctioned and confirmed.

Of the Bar of the Province of *Quebec*, section of the District of *Quebec* ; praying that power to levy a contribution on the practising Advocates in such section of the Province be conferred upon them.

Of the Reverend *M. Jasmin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Janvier* ; and of the Reverend *L. Charlebois* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Thérèse*, County of *Terrebonne* ; severally praying for a survey of the lands and the opening of a Road to the West of *Ste. Agathe*.

Of the Reverend *L. Provancher*, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying for an increase of the grant in aid of the "*Naturaliste Canadien*."

Of the Reverend *A. Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel*, County of *Quebec* ; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Reverend *A. Dupuis*, of the Parish of *Ste. Elizabeth*, County of *Joliette* ; praying aid for an Asylum in the said Parish.

Of *L. Dumouchel* and others, of the Parish of *St. Benoit* ; praying aid for the "*Hospice Youville*."

Of the Faculty of Medicine of *McGill University* ; and of Mrs. *Catherine Simpson* and others, directresses and managers of the House of Refuge, both of the City of *Montreal* ; severally praying that their annual grant be continued.

Of the *Montreal Ladies' Benevolent Society*,—of the *St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum*,—and of the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, all of the City of *Montreal* ; severally praying for aid.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, rose in his place, and acquainted Mr. Speaker and the House, that he was commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor to inform the House, that His Excellency would proceed this day, at four o'clock, P. M., to the Legislative Council Chamber, to assent in Her Majesty's name to a certain Bill passed by the Legislative Council and Assembly.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 29th November, 1869 ;

For a Statement shewing :

1. The number and the names of the various Colonization Societies, constituted under the Act of last Session, for the formation and encouragement of Colonization Societies, throughout all the electoral divisions of the Province, the constitution and by-laws of which have been approved by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council ; and specifying the date of the receipt of the Report to the Commissioner, of each Society, praying to be recognized as a Colonization Society, and the date of the registration of the certificate establishing the formation of each society in the office of the Registrar of the Province.

2. What Societies have transmitted to the Commissioner one or more certificates, in conformity with the tenth section of the said Act.

3. The sum of money, which each Society has declared itself to hold, in the possession of the Secretary-Treasurer thereof.

4. The sum of money which has been paid by the Commissioner to each Society.

5. What Societies have applied, either to the Government or to the Commissioner of Crown Lands, for land for settlers.

And, further, copies of all Orders in Council, specially reserving any Township or part of a Township, for any Colonization Society ; also, Copies of all Orders in Council, fixing the number of settlers which each Society must establish, on the land which may have been assigned to it, and the delay within which settlers must settle upon the same ; and also, the number of lots which may have been given as free grants, to each Colonization Society. (Sessional Papers, No. 10.)

Also, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 6th December, 1869 ; For Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Dominion and of *Quebec*, since the first day of February last, respecting immigration ; and also, Copies of all Orders in Council on the same subject. (Sessional Papers, No. 11.)

Ordered, That the said Returns be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

Mr. *Bellerose*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have to report that they submitted to a Sub-Committee, the Reports of the chief officers of the House, who have reported thereon.

That Your Committee have approved of said Report, and pray that Your Honorable House do adopt the same.

Your Committee have the honor also to submit to Your Honorable House the following Resolution, and pray that the same be adopted :

Resolved, That the Report of the Sub-Committee, hereto appended marked B., to which was submitted the Reports of the chief officers of the House, be adopted, and further the Committee declare that they are opposed to all increase of Salaries.

The whole respectfully submitted,

JOS. H. BELLEROSE,
Chairman,
C. C.

B. LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

Monday, 13th December, 1869.

To the Honorable the Standing Committee on Contingencies for Legislative Assembly, *Quebec*.

The undersigned Sub-Committee beg leave to report,

That they have examined the reports, of *George Manly Muir*, Esquire, Clerk of the House, *E. Simard*, Esq., Assistant Clerk, *C. F. Langlois*, Esq., Chief Office Clerk, *Pierre Chenest*, Esq., Post Master, and *O. Robitaille*, Chief Messenger, Messrs. *Simard*, *Lindsay* and *Smith*, Auditors, and that of *L. Simoneau*, Esq., Accountant.

Mr. *Muir*, recommends an increase of Salary to the permanent writers of the Assembly of \$100 per annum each. Your Committee cannot take the responsibility of recommending the adoption of such suggestion for this parliament, but leave the subject in the hands of the General Committee.

Mr. *Simard's* report refers to the fact that postage was required in advance for the transmission of all Parliamentary Documents, through the post office. Application was made to the Federal Government for a rescinding of the rule thus made, but without effect.

Your Committee think that effort should be made to induce the Federal Government to order that all Parliamentary Papers, Statutes, Journals, Appendices and other Documents should be transmitted through the Post Office *free of charge* at all seasons of the year. Also that the postage charged on letters received unpaid at the place of departure—cost five

cents per single letter. The Federal Government ought at least not to charge more than 8c. postage in such cases.

With respect to the late accountant and his affairs, it is suggested that the chief officers of the House should by no means allow hereafter of similar proceeding, on the part of any employee of the House. And the action taken in the case of the late accountant in dispensing with his services is fully approved of.

Mr. *Langlois* gives statement of the Stationery purchased for the use of the House and the saving effected thereby, and Your Committee recommend that every care be taken to provide Stationery on the most favorable terms as to price and quality.

As to his remarks respecting printing, that subject being already reported to the House by the joint Committee on printing, and concurred in, no further allusion to that is required here.

That Mr. *Molony*, heretofore one of the permanent clerks of the House, is fully occupied with the business of the *Official Gazette*, and that he cannot be spared from that duty. It is therefore recommended that the services of Mr. *Molony*, as House Clerk, be dispensed with by the House, and no substitute appointed in his stead, effecting thereby a saving of \$300 per annum.

The Post Master reports having expended for postage stamps \$755.26, on letters received and dispatched, and documents from the House forwarded to the districts. The remarks respecting postage apply to this department, to which alteration is directed.

The Chief Messenger reports Parliamentary Documents dispatched with statement of those still on hand.

The Auditors report that the accounts were found correct, which report agrees with a previous one made by your Committee.

The Accountant's Statement of expenses of the House already reported upon.

The management of the various departments appears to your Committee to have been good and economical, the duties of the various employees well performed and satisfactory to your Committee.

Respectfully submitted by,

J. G. ROBERTSON,
JOS. H. BELLEROSE,
N. M. LECAVALIER,
J. S. BRIGHAM.

The Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the necessary notices have been given in each case :

Of the *Union St. Joseph*, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation ;

Of the *Union St. Jacques*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for amendments to its Act of Incorporation;

Of *David A. Ross* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying for amendments to the Act of Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*;

The Petition of the *Rockland Slate Company*; praying for an increase of \$50,000 to its Capital Stock, can affect no interests but those of the Shareholders and no notice is therefore required, provided a clause is inserted in the Bill to require the consent of the Shareholders to be obtained before the issue of new Stock.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *John Kerry* and others, of the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "College of Pharmacy of the Province of *Quebec*," and find that notices given are sufficient.

Ordered, That Mr. *Genest* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the interdiction of Habitual Drunkards.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That the 31st Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to amend 32nd *Victoria*, Chapter 22, respecting Jurors and Juries.

Ordered, that Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended, in relation to a Bill to empower the *Rockland Slate Company* to raise additional Capital.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate "The College of Pharmacy of the Province of *Quebec*."

He according presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to incorporate The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate "The Union *St. Joseph* of *Farnham*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to incorporate the society called "The Union of *St. Joseph* of *Farnham*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to incorporate the *Caledonian* Society of *Montreal*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to render valid certain Notarial Acts; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Wednesday next.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by *Samuel Staunton Hall*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod:

MR. SPEAKER,

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor desires the immediate attendance of this Honorable House, in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to the Legislative Council Chamber;

And being returned,

Mr Speaker reported, That agreeably to the Command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, the House had attended upon His Excellency, in the Legislative Council Chamber, where His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Law respecting the Constitution of the Superior Court."

Ordered, That the Report of the Librarian of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, upon the State of the Library of Parliament, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Library;

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 14th December, 1869.

Pierre Bachand, Esquire, *Joseph Hyacinthe Bellerose*, Esquire, *Edward Carter*, Esquire, *Henri Gustave Joly*, Esquire, *Edward J. Hemming*, Esquire, and *A. C. de Lotbinière-Harwood*, Esquire, being the Six Members appointed by Mr. Speaker, to serve on the General Committee of Elections, and not objected to by the House, severally took the following oath :

"I swear that I will truly and faithfully perform the duties" belonging to a Member of the "General Committee of Elections," to the best of my judgment and ability, without fear or favor.

"SO HELP ME GOD."

Mr. Speaker informed the House, that pursuant to the 39th Section of the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, he had appointed To-morrow, at the hour of Eleven of the Clock in the forenoon, in the Controverted Elections Office, for the first meeting of the General Committee of Elections.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *Edward Lagueux* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Romuald* and *St. Nicolas*.

By Mr. *Pozer*,—The Petition of *Jean Doyon* and others, of *Tring* and other Townships.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Wright*, County of *Ottawa*.

By Mr. *Poupore*,—The Petition of *William J. Walsh* and others, of the Townships of *Allean* and *Cawood*, County of *Pontiac*.

By Mr. *Brigham*,—The Petition of *J. E. J. Landry* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Beaubien*,—The Petition of *Louis Beaubien* and others, the Provisional Directors of the Northern Colonization Railroad; and the Petition of *Mary McCarthy* and other inmates of the institution for the Blind, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *Tewkesbury*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *Robert W. Pearson*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of the School of Medicine and Surgery of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,—The Petition of *W. Bell* and others, of the Municipality of *St Roch* of *Quebec* South.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Chicoutimi*.

Ordered, That Mr. *Dugas* have leave to bring in a Bill, to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Montcalm*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

Ordered, That Mr. Joly, have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinances, relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, and the Water Works of the said City.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

A Bill to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace, with more extensive jurisdiction, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill respecting the indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker, a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLEAU,

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits to the Legislative Assembly, an Estimate of the sums required for the Province, for the eighteen Months ending on the 30th June, 1871, and in conformity with the provisions of the 54th section of the *British North America Act*, 1867, he recommends these Estimates to the Legislative Assembly. (Sessional Papers, No. 4.)

Government House,

Quebec, 7th December, 1869.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Estimates accompanying the same, be referred to the Committee of Supply.

The Order of the Day being read, for the Committee of Supply ; the House resolved itself into the Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand and twenty dollars and forty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members and the salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Council, being amount short estimated

last session, including what is required for the present session ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty-eight thousand four hundred and eighteen dollars and sixty-one cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members, and the salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly, being amount short estimated last session, including what is required for the present session ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of elections ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as a grant to the Parliamentary Library ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand six hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of printing, binding and distributing the Laws, for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, that the Committee had come to several resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Mr. *Bellerose*, also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, that the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 15th December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Ogilvie*,—The Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of Mrs. *Luce Gertrude Drapeau* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of *Thomas P. Pelletier* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Temiscouala*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *A. A. Boudreau* and others, of the Parish of *Longueuil* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of "*Le Club Montarville de Longueuil*."

Of *J. D. Kennedy* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an act of incorporation under the name of the "*Irish Catholic Benefit Society of Montreal*."

Of *l'Union St. Pierre de Montréal*,—and of the *Montreal* Warehousing Company ; severally praying for amendments to their acts of incorporation.

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Quebec* ; praying for amendments to the act of incorporation of the said City.

Of *Joseph Fontaine* and others, of the Parish of *St. Patrick* of *Sherrington*, County of *Napierville* ; praying that chap. 69 of the Act 29 and 30 *Victoria*, be not amended.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Louis de l'Isle aux Coudres* ; praying aid to construct a Pier.

Of *Antoine Couillard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Jean Chrysostôme*. County of *Chateauguay* ; praying aid to deepen a River.

Of the Reverend *A. Thibault* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Chambly* ; praying aid for an hospital in the said Parish.

Of the Directors of the *Quebec* Dispensary,—and of the *Montreal* Dispensary ; severally praying that their annual grants be continued.

Of *Hugh Kelly* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Joseph* and *St. Edward* of *Frampton*,—of *Patrick Cassidy* and others, of the Township of *Cranbourne*,—of the Municipality of the Township of *Forsyth*, and of the Reverend *J. J. Desautels* and others, of the Parish of *St. Damien* ; severally praying aid for Roads.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers* ; praying that the said Township be divided into two separate Municipalities, and find that the necessary notices have not been given, but, inasmuch as due notice was given of a like Petition presented last year by the said Municipality for the same object, and the present Petition is signed by the Mayor and Councillors of the Municipality, they recommend that the 51st Rule be suspended.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *A. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Romauld de Farnham* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Société St. Jean Baptiste de St. Romauld de Farnham*," and find that the said Petition is of the nature of those which do not require the publication of notice.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of *William Tait* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to the Act relating to the removal of the bodies interred in the old Catholic Cemetery of *Montreal*, and find that the necessary notices have not yet been fully given, but inasmuch as they will have been completed before the Bill comes under the consideration of the Private Bills' Committee, they recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

As to the Petition of *H. Hogan* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to the Act to amend the laws relating to the Corporation of the City of *Montreal* and for other purposes ; your Committee find that the notice served upon the said Corporation was sufficient.

As to the Petition of the Revd. *F. X. Méthot* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Germaine du lac Etchemin*; praying that the said Parish be civilly erected, your Committee find that no notice was given in any newspaper, but sufficient notice was given by its publication on three consecutive Sundays, from the Church door, as is pursued in the case of proceeding before the Commissioners for a like effect.

Your Committee have also examined the Petition of the Hon. *Lewis T. Drummond* and another; praying for the confirmation of the survey and bournage of the division line between the Townships of *Grantham* and *Upton*, and find that the necessary notices have not yet been fully given; they, however, recommend that the 51st Rule be suspended on the understanding that the Bill shall not be considered by the Private Bills' Committee, until the said notices shall have been completed.

As to the Petition of the Bar of the Province of *Quebec*, Section of the District of *Quebec*; praying for authority to levy a contribution on practising Advocates in this Section of the Province; your Committee find that it is of the nature of those which do not require the publication of notice.

The Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee beg leave to recommend to Your Honorable House that the ten days' Notice required by the 60th Rule of the House, be limited to three days only, such period to be computed from the date of the order of the House, referring any Bill for consideration by the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, during the continuance of the present Session; and that the said rule be suspended in accordance therewith, so as to allow such Committee to take such Bill into consideration after three days' notice of posting.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee beg leave to recommend to your Honorable House, that the ten days' Notice, as required under the 60th Rule of the House, be limited to three days only, such period to be computed from the date of the order of the House, referring any Bill for consideration by the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, during the continuance of the present Session; and that the said rule be suspended in accordance therewith, so as to allow such Committee to take such Bill into consideration after three days' notice of posting.

Mr. *Joly* reported, from the General Committee of Elections, That in pursuance of the 48th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, they had selected from the Alphabetical list of Mem-

bers referred to them, the following four Members to be the Chairmen's Panel, and to serve as Chairmen of Election Committees for the present Session :—*Sydney Bellingham*, Esquire ; *Joseph Adolphe Chapleau*, Esquire ; *Félix Gabriel Marchand*, Esquire ; and *Jacques Philippe Rhéaume*, Esquire ;

Ordered, That the report do lie on the Table.

Mr. *Joly*, also reported, from the General Committee of Elections. That in pursuance of the 49th Section of the Act respecting Controverted Parliamentary Elections, they had divided the Members remaining on the Alphabetical List into three Panels, marked severally A. B. C., each containing the same number of names.

Whereupon the Clerk decided by lot, at the table, the order of the said Panels, and distinguished each of them by a Number denoting the Order in which they were respectively drawn, as follows : Panel A No. 1, C No. 2, B No. 3.

Ordered, That the said Panels be printed.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brigham*, have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Society *St. Jean-Baptiste* of *St. Romuald* of *Farnham*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, seconded by Mr. *Carter*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the First Report of the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Molleur* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hearn* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by Mr. *Simard*,

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Fourth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

A Bill to render valid certain Notarial Acts, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventy-one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superior Education; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Schools in poor municipalities; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Normal Schools; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Salaries of School Inspectors; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty to defray the expenses of Books for prizes; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Journals of Education; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand seven hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers; (covering statutory appropriations) for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Medical Faculty, McGill College, Montreal; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the School of Medicine, Montreal; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Natural History Society, Montreal; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Montreal Historical Society; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Literary and Historical Society, *Quebec*; for the six months, ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards publication of "*Le Naturaliste Canadien*;" for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Arts and Manufactures; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing buildings already erected for the Reformatory, *St Vincent de Paul*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of altering heating apparatus, improving ventilation, and for sundry alterations recommended to be made in the *Montreal* Court House; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing wall around buildings, for out buildings, &c., at *Sherbrooke* New Gaol; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty-three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. John's* Lunatic Asylum; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eleven hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Providence*, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Vincent de Paul* Asylum, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Magdalen* Asylum (*Bon Pasteur*), *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Charité*, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde*, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Bonaventure* Street Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Nazareth* Asylum for the Blind and for Destitute Children, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans (including late House of Refuge), *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the House and School of Industry, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget's* Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Frères de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul*, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Bethléem, Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Miséricorde, Fullum street, Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Charitable Ladies Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum of *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Asylum of the *Good Shepherd, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies Protestant Home, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Finlay Asylum, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

52. *Resolved* That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget's Asylum, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Canada Military Asylum, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the General Hospital, *Sorel*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Hyacinthe Hospital*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Youville, St. Benoit*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Côteau du Lac*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice St. Joseph, Beauharnois*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Ste. Marie, Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Mascouche*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Jean, St. Jean*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice La Jemmerais, Varennes*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Sœurs de la Providence, St. Vincent de Paul*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital de la Providence, Joliette*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Laprairie, Laprairie*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Joseph, Chambly*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

69. *Resolved*, that a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses, of Reformatory Schools; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses, of Industrial Schools; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand and fifty-six dollars and twenty-three cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following past-over Expenditure; namely, for Expenses of Elections, amount of one Special warrant for seventy-three dollars and sixteen cents, and of another for eleven hundred dollars: and for printing, binding and distributing the Laws, &c., two thousand eight hundred and eighty-three dollars and seven cents; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Friday next.

Mr. *Bellerose* then acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 16th December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *LeCavalier*,—The Petition of the *Collège St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques Cartier* ; and the Petition of *les Sœurs Marianites de Ste. Croix*, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques Cartier*.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Reverend *P. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis*, and other places.

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of *Pierre Cloutier* and others, of the place called *Détour du Lac Témiscouata* ; and the Petition of the Reverend *L. N. Bernier* and others, of the County of *Témiscouata*.

By Mr. *Verreault*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Charles Galarneau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Cyrille*.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of *Félix Fournier* and others, of the Townships of *Mailloux* and *Buckland* ; and the Petition of the Reverend *Joseph M. Rioux* and others, of the Townships *Roux* and *Bellechasse*, County of *Bellechasse*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *Thomas Workman* and others, of the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec* ; the Petition of *George Wood* and others, of *Coaticook*, County of *Stanstead* ; the Petition of *W. E. Ibbotson* and others, of the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec* ; and the Petition of *D. Torrance* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Simard*,—The Petition of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Louis Beaubien* and others, Provisional Directors of the Northern Colonization Railroad Company ; praying for amendments to the Act for the encouragement of certain Colonization Railways.

Of *Jean Doyon* and others, of *Tring* and other Townships ; praying for the passing of an Act to divide the said Township of *Tring* into three Municipalities.

Of *W. Bell* and others, of the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South ; praying that a portion of the said Municipality be annexed to the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* North.

Of *J. E. J. Landry* and others, of the City of *Quebec* ; praying that the Bill to incorporate the College of Pharmacy of *Quebec*, may not become law.

Of *Robert W. Pearson*, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for the passing of an Act authorizing him to practice as an advocate.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Chicoutimi* ; praying aid for a Pier.

Of *William G. Walsh* and others, of the Townships of *Allean* and *Cawood*, County of *Pontiac* ; praying aid for a Road,

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Wright*, County of *Ottawa* ; praying aid for Roads and Bridges.

Of *Edouard Lagruez* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Romuald* and *St. Nicholas* ; praying aid to build a Bridge over the river *Chaudière*.

Of the Reverend *A. Boucher* and others, of the Parish of *Tewkesbury* ; praying aid to build a Bridge over the river *Jacques-Cartier*.

Of *Mary McCarty* and others, inmates of the Institution for the Blind, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for aid.

Of the School of Medicine and Surgery of the City of *Montreal* ; praying that its annual grant be continued.

Mr. de Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that they are of the nature of those which do not require the publication of notice.

Of *A. A. Boudreau* and others, of the Parish of *Longueuil* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Club Montarville de Longueuil*."

Of *J. D. Kennedy* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying to be incorporated under the name of the "*Irish Catholic Benefit Society of Montreal*."

Of the *Montreal Warehousing Company* ; praying for amendments to its act of incorporation.

Of *L'Union St. Pierre* of *Montreal* ; praying for amendments to its act of incorporation.

As to the Petition of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Quebec* ; praying for amendments to the acts of incorporation of the said City, Your Committee find that the necessary notices have been given.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society *St. Jean Baptiste de St. Romuald de Farnham*, and have the honor to report the same without amendment.

The Honorable *Mr. Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to *Mr. Speaker* a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of the House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor transmits for the information of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, the First Report of the Civil Service Commission on the organization and administration of the several Departments at the Seat of Government. (Sessional Papers, No. 12.)

Government House,
Quebec, 15th December, 1869.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the Documents accompanying the same, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House, the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

The Joint Printing Committee of both Houses have the honor to submit to your Honorable House, as their Second Report, two reports made by their Sub-Committee and which they respectfully recommend for your consideration.

The whole respectfully submitted.

EDWARD HALE,
Acting Chairman.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, *Quebec*,
No. 3, Committee Room,
Thursday, 16th December, 1869.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Printing Committee of both Houses :

Your Sub-Committee have the honor to inform Your Committee, that they have examined the following documents, which they recommend to be printed :

1. Statement of the Public Accounts for the fiscal year ended 30th June, 1869—as a Sessional document.
2. Return to an Address respecting the Colonization Societies formed under and in virtue of the Act of last Session,—to be printed for distribution during the Session, and also as a Sessional document.

Your Sub-Committee further recommend that the return to an Address for Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Dominion and of *Quebec*, respecting immigration, be not printed.

The whole respectfully submitted.

E. HALE,
Chairman.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
No. 3 Committee Room,
Quebec, 11th December, 1869.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Printing Committee of both Houses :

Your Sub-Committee have the honor to inform Your Committee that they have carefully examined the following documents, to wit : "Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly respecting the power claimed by the Government of the Dominion, to disallow the acts of the Local Legislatures, &c., &c." "Reports of the Queen's Printer upon the income and expenses of the *Québec Official Gazette* and Statutes."

Your Sub-Committee recommend that the former of these documents be printed in part for the quantity required for Sessional distribution and documents, and that the following ones be also printed in part, as Sessional documents only.

Your Sub-Committee recommend, moreover, that the message of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmitted to the Legislative Assembly, respecting the refusal of His Excellency the Governor-General to sanction an Act, intituled : "An Act to define the privileges, immunities and powers of the Legislative Council and Legislative Assembly, of the Province of *Quebec*," &c., &c., be not printed.

The whole respectfully submitted.

E. HALE,
Chairman.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill further to amend the act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Select Committee, appointed to enquire into the advisability and best means of establishing in this Province Deposit offices or establishments for the reception of the Deposits required by law and judicial authority, stipulated by agreement or rendered necessary between individuals, by special circumstances, have leave to report from time to time.

Ordered, That the Petition of *G. T. Tremblay* and others, of the City of *Quebec*, be referred to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Ordered, That Mr. *Garon* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two Registration Divisions.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *LaRue*, seconded by Mr. *Moll*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House, a statement of the Coroners' Inquests in the Province of Quebec, since the inauguration of Confederation. Such statement showing the number of inquests held by the Coroners, the cause of death, the name of the physicians whose services were required by the Coroner, and the Juries in each case of inquest, the number of post-mortem examinations made by the physician or physicians called in these inquests, and the reports made by the Coroner's Jury on each inquest.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding thirty-four thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars and forty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members and the salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Council; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ninety-three thousand three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members and the salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Elections; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as a grant to the Parliamentary Library; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salary and Contingent expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand six hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of printing, binding and distributing the laws; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries of office, and contingent expenses of the Law Clerk; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and thirty-three thousand seven hundred and five dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the salaries and contingent expenses of the several Departments of the Civil Government, as follows: Lieutenant-Governor's Office, the sum of \$2,600; Executive Council Department, the sum of \$3,265; Secretary and Registrar's Department, the sum of \$13,750; Crown Law Department, the sum of \$9,550; Treasury Department, the sum of \$15,850:

Crown Lands Department, the sum of \$30,760; Agriculture and Public Works' Department, the sum of \$14,650; Public Instruction Department, the sum of \$10,860; Speaker of Legislative Council, the sum of \$3,200; Contingencies, the sum of \$29,220; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and fourteen thousand nine hundred and ninety-two dollars and thirty-six cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Administration of Justice; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of Police, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding thirty-two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Prison Inspection; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventy-one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superior Education (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-nine thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Common Schools (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Schools in poor Municipalities, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Normal Schools, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the salaries of School Inspectors, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Books for prizes, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Journals of Education, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand seven hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Medical Faculty, *McGill College, Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the School of Medicine, *Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Montreal Historical Society, Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Literary and Historical Society, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards publication of "*Le Naturaliste Canadien* ;" for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Arts and Manufactures ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural Societies, &c., (covering Statutory appropriation) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Board of Agriculture ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Agricultural Instruction in connexion with Normal Schools ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Agricultural Schools, two French and one English ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand one hundred and eighty dollars and seventy cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Agricultural Schools, legal per centage kept from the payment made in 1867 to the Societies, and due to the Schools, to be equally divided between Agricultural Schools, *Ste. Anne* and *l'Assomption* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Immigration, including printing, maps, &c. ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Societies, (covering Statutory appropriation) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

And the House having continued to sit in Committee, until Six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Report of the *Société de l'Union de St. Joseph de la Ville de Lévis*, for the year, 1869. (Sessional papers, No. 5.)

The Committee of Supply was again resumed.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of first class Colonization Roads ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of second class Colonization Roads ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of third class Colonization Roads ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of *Ste. Anne des Monts* to Fox River Road, (Gulf Coast Road), provided that a similar grant is made by the Federal Government, and expended on same Road ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Maps and Statements ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Railways, (covering Statutory appropriation) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty-six thousand three hundred and fifteen dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Rents, Insurances, Repairs, &c., of Public Buildings, generally ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Inspections and Surveys ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing Buildings already erected for the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent de Paul* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of altering the *Montreal* Court House ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards re-building the *Batiscan* Bridge ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to be advanced as a special loan in relation to *Dorchester* Bridge ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventeen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Rents of Court Houses and Gaols, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Insurances of Court Houses and Gaols, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Repairs of Court Houses and Gaols, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of re-constructing and furnishing *Aylmer* Court House and Gaol, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of erecting new buildings and enlarging the grounds of the *Montreal* Gaol, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for the Court House and Gaol, in the County of *Bonaventure*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for the Court House and Gaol, in the County of *Gaspé*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing surrounding wall and for the erection of hospital wing to the New Gaol, *Quebec*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the expenses of New Gaol, *Sherbrooke*; for outbuildings, \$500, and to begin right wing, \$7,000, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty-eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of building walls around the Court House and Gaols of New Districts, and for enlargement of *Quebec* Court House, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and five thousand and four hundred and fifty-eight dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lunatic Asylum at *St. John's*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eleven hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Providence*, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Vincent de Paul* Asylum, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Patrick's* Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Magdalen* Asylum, (*Bon Pasteur*), *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Roman Catholic* Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Charité*, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde*, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Bonaventure Street Asylum, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Nazareth Asylum* for the Blind and for Destitute children, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for widows and orphans, (including late House of Refuge,) *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget Asylum, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Frères de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul, Montréal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Bethléem, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Miséricorde, Fullum Street, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Charitable Ladies Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty

dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Finlay Asylum, Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget Asylum, Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Canada Military Asylum, Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Quebec*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the General Hospital, *Sorel*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Hyacinthe Hospital*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Youville, St. Benoit*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Côteau du Lac*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice St. Joseph, Beauharnois*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Ste. Marie, Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Mascouche*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Jean, St. Jean*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice La Jemmerais, Varennes*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice des Sœurs de la Providence, St. Vincent de Paul*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital de la Providence, Joliette*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Laprairie, Laprairie*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Joseph, Chambly*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Reformatory Schools; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Industrial Schools; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Registration Service; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the *Quebec Official Gazette*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet demands on Municipalities' Fund, (Cons. Stat., L. C., cap. 110., sec. 7); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an allowance for Lieutenant-Governor's Residence; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Arbitration under Constitutional Act; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet retiring allowances if found advisable; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of enforcement of Game Laws; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous expenses; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Surveys (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty-seven thousand one hundred and seventy dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray general expenditure by Crown Lands Department (including Jesuits' Estates, Clergy Lands, Crown Domain, Seignior of *Lauzon*, and Woods and Forests,) (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray charges on Stamps, Licences, &c., (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair, and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

Mr. *Bellerose* also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, To-morrow, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 17th December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Bellingham*,—The Petition of the Reverend *John Rollit* and others, of *Gore* and other Townships.

By Mr. *Joly*,—The Petition of *Joseph Lefebvre* and others, of the Parish of *St. Giles*; the Petition of *Lazare Bedard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Flavien*; and the Petition of the Reverend *N. M. Huot* and others, of the Parish of *St. Agathe*, all in the County of *Lotbinière*.

By Mr. *Pozer*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. Catellier* and others, of the Townships of *Jersey* and *Marlow*; the Petition of the Reverend *F. Catellier* and others, of the Township of *Jersey*, and Parish of *St. George*; and the Petition of the Reverend *F. Catellier* and others, of the Parish of *St. George* and Townships of *Linrière* and *Jersey*; all of the County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Church*,—The Petition of *John Hunter* and others, of the Parish of *St. George de Clarenceville*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Mayor, Aldermen and Citizens of the City of *Montreal*; praying that the said City be not included in the provisions of the Bill, intituled: "An Act for establishing a general system of Police in this Province."

Of Mrs. *Luce Gertrude Drapeau* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the Bill, intituled, "An Act to remedy certain errors committed in drawing up the *cadastre* of the Seigniory *Nicolas Rioux*," may not become law.

Of *Thomas P. Pelletier* and others, of the Township of *Bégon*, County of *Temiscouata*; praying aid for Roads.

Mr. *Marchand*, from the Select Committee, appointed to enquire into the advisability of establishing Deposit offices in this Province, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:—

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have commenced their inquiry into the advisability and best means of establishing in this Province, Deposit offices or establishments for the reception of the Deposits required by law and judicial authority, stipulated by agreement or rendered necessary between individuals by special circumstances; and, awaiting

further information on the subject, have adjourned their labors until Monday, 20th instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to further amend the law respecting Education in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brigham* have leave of absence for eight days.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *Irish Catholic Benefit Society of Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the duties of certain judicial offices in cases of vacancy.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty-seven thousand and twenty dollars and forty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members, and the Salaries and Contingent expenses of the Legislative Council, (being amount short estimated last session, including what is required for the present session) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty-eight thousand four hundred and eighteen dollars and sixty-one cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members, and the Salaries and contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly, (being amount short estimated last session, including what is required for the present session) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Elections ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as a Grant to the Parliamentary Library ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand six hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of printing, binding and distributing the laws ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a Second time.

And it being Six of the Clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At Half-past Seven o'clock, P.M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

The Order of the Day for the Second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Society *St. Jean Baptiste of St. Romuald of Farnham*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a Second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The House proceeded to take into further consideration the Resolutions which were, this day, reported from Committee of Supply.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventy-one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superior Education, (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Schools in poor Municipalities, (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Normal Schools, (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Salaries of School Inspectors, (covering Statutory appropriation) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Books for prizes, (covering Statutory appropriation) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Journals of Education, (covering Statutory appropriation) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand seven hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers, (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Medical Faculty, *McGill College, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the School of Medicine, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Montreal* Historical Society; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Literary and Historical Society, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards publication of "*Le Naturaliste Canadien*"; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Arts and Manufactures; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing buildings already erected for the Reformatory, *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of altering heating apparatus, improving ventilation, and for sundry alterations recommended to be made in the *Montreal* Court House; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing wall around buildings, for out buildings, &c., at *Sherbrooke* New Gaol; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifth-three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. John's* Lunatic Asylum, for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eleven hundred and twenty

dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Providence, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Vincent de Paul Asylum, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Magdalen Asylum, (Bon Pasteur), Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Charité, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Bonaventure Street Asylum, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Nazareth Asylum* for the Blind and for Destitute Children, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans, (including late House of Refuge,) *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget Asylum, Montreal* ; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Frères de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul, Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *l'Hospice de Bethléem, Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Miséricorde, Fullum Street, Montreal*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Charitable Ladies' Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Asylum of the Good Shepherd, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Finlay Asylum, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget's Asylum, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Canada Military Asylum, Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Quebec*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the General Hospital, *Sorel*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Hyacinthe* Hospital; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Youville, St. Benoit*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Côteau du Lac*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice St. Joseph, Beauharnois*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Ste. Marie, Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Mascouche*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Jean, St. Jean*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice LaJemmerais, Varennes*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice des Sœurs de la Providence, St. Vincent de Paul*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital de la Providence, Joliette*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Laprairie, Laprairie*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Joseph, Chambly*; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Reformatory Schools; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Industrial Schools; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand and fifty-six dollars and twenty-three cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the following past-over expenditure, namely: For expenses of Elections, amount of one special warrant, for seventy-three dollars and sixteen cents, and of another for eleven hundred dollars; and for Printing, Binding and distributing the Laws, &c., two thousand eight hundred and eighty-three dollars and seven cents; for the six months ending 30th June, 1870.

The said Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, several Resolutions, which were read, as follow :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding thirty-four thousand nine hundred and fifty dollars and forty cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members, and the Salaries and Contingent expenses of the Legislative Council ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

2. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ninety-three thousand three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of indemnity and mileage to Members, and the Salaries and Contingent expenses of the Legislative Assembly; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

3. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Elections; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

4. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as a grant to the Parliamentary Library; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

5. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salary and Contingent expenses of the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

6. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand six hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of printing, binding, and distributing the laws; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

7. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries of Office and Contingent expenses of the Law Clerk; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

8. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and thirty-three thousand seven hundred and five dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Salaries and Contingent expenses of the several Departments of the Civil Government, as follows: Lieutenant-Governor's Office, the sum of \$2,600; Executive Council Department, the sum of \$3,265; Secretary and Registrar's Department, the sum of \$13,750; Crown Law Department, the sum of \$9,550; Treasury Department, the sum of \$15,850; Crown Lands Department, the sum of \$30,760; Agriculture and Public Works Department, the sum of \$14,650; Public Instruction Department, the sum of \$10,860; Speaker of Legislative Council, the sum of \$3,200; Contingencies, the sum of \$29,220; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

9. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and fourteen thousand and nine hundred and ninety-two dollars and thirty-six cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of the Administration of Justice; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

10. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet the expenses of Police, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

11. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding thirty-two thousand dollars,

be granted to Her Majesty, for the maintenance of the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent de Paul*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

12. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Prison Inspection; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

13. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventy-one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superior Education, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

14. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-nine thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Common Schools, (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

15. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Schools in poor Municipalities, (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

16. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Normal Schools, (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

17. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to pay the salaries of School Inspectors, (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

18. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Books for prizes, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

19. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Journals of Education, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

20. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand seven hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Superannuated Teachers, (covering Statutory appropriation); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

21. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Medical Faculty, *McGill College, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

22. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the School of Medicine, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

23. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Natural History Society, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

24. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Montreal*, Historical Society, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

25. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Literary and Historical Society, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

26. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards publication of "*Le Naturaliste Canadien*" ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

27. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Board of Arts and Manufactures ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

28. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray expenses of Agricultural Societies, &c., (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

29. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the Board of Agriculture ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

30. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Agricultural Instruction in connection with Normal Schools ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

31. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand four hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Agricultural Schools, two French and one English ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

32. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand one hundred and eighty dollars and seventy cents, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Agricultural Schools, legal percentage kept from the payment made in 1867 to the Societies, and due to the Schools, to be equally divided between Agricultural Schools *Ste. Anne* and *l'Assomption* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

33. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Immigration, including printing, maps, &c. ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

34. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Societies, (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

35. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of first class Colonization Roads ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

36. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of second class Colonization Roads ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

37. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of third class Colonization Roads ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

38. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of *Ste. Anne des Monts* to Fox River Road, (Gulf Coast Road,) provided that a similar grant is made

by the Federal Government, and expended on same Road ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

39. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Maps and Statements ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

40. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty-five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Colonization Railways, (covering Statutory appropriations) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

41. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty-six thousand three hundred and fifteen dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Rents, Insurances, Repairs, &c., of Public Buildings generally ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

42. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Inspections and Surveys ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

43. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing Buildings already erected for the Reformatory Prison at *St. Vincent de Paul* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

44. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of altering the *Montreal* Court House ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

45. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid towards rebuilding *Batiscan* Bridge ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

46. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to be advanced as a special loan in relation to *Dorchester* Bridge ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

47. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventeen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the Rents of Court Houses and Gaols, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

48. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Insurances of Court Houses and Gaols, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

49. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Repairs of Court Houses and Gaols, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

50. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding ten thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of re-constructing and furnishing *Aylmer* Court House and Gaol, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

51. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of erecting new building and enlarging the grounds of the *Montreal* Gaol, (chargeable to the Building

and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

52. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for the Court House and Gaol in the County of *Bonaventure*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

53. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding nine thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of constructing a new building for the Court House and Gaol in the County of *Gaspé*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

54. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fourteen thousand three hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of completing surrounding wall, and for the erection of Hospital wing to the new Gaol, *Quebec*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

55. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards defraying the expenses of out-buildings \$500, and to begin right wing \$7,000, New Gaol, *Sherbrooke*, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

56. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding forty-eight thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of building walls around the Court Houses and Gaols of new districts, and for enlargement of *Quebec* Court House, (chargeable to the Building and Jury Fund for each district concerned) ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

57. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and five thousand four hundred and fifty-eight dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Beauport* Lunatic Asylum ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

58. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lunatic Asylum, *St. John's* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

59. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Marine and Emigrant Hospital, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

60. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Corporation of the General Hospital, *Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

61. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Deaf and Dumb Institution, *Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

62. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

63. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *St. Patrick's* Hospital, *Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

64. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eleven hundred and twenty

dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Providence, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

65. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Vincent de Paul Asylum, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

66. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant House of Industry and Refuge, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

67. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

68. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the University Lying-in Hospital, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

69. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seven hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Magdalen Asylum, (Bon Pasteur,) Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

70. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

71. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Sœurs de la Charité, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

72. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred and forty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Orphan Asylum, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

73. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Lying-in Hospital, care of *Les Sœurs de la Miséricorde, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

74. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Bonaventure Street Asylum, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

75. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and thirty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Nazareth Asylum* for the Blind and for Destitute children, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

76. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

77. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred and fifty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Benevolent Society for Widows and Orphans (including late House of Refuge,) *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

78. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Home and School of Industry, *Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

79. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget Asylum, Montreal*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

80. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *Les Frères de la Charité de St. Vincent de Paul, Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

81. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Bethléem, Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

82. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Miséricorde, Fullum Street, Montreal* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

83. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Charitable Ladies' Association of the Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

84. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding three thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

85. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Asylum of the *Good Shepherd, Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

86. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and eighty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de la Maternité, Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

87. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Ladies' Protestant Home, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

88. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Male Orphan Asylum, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

89. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Finlay Asylum, Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

90. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding four hundred and twenty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Protestant Female Orphan Asylum, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

91. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Bridget Asylum, Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

92. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one hundred and sixty dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *Canada Military Asylum, Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

93. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Dispensary, *Quebec* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

94. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the Indigent Sick, *Three Rivers* ; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

95. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the General Hospital, *Sorel*, for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

96. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to the *St. Hyacinthe* Hospital; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

97. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Youville, St. Benoit*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

98. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Côteau du Lac*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

99. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice St. Joseph, Beauharnois*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

100. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice Ste. Marie, Ste. Marie de Monnoir*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

101. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Asile de la Providence, Mascouche*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

102. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Jean, St. Jean*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

103. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice La Jemmerais, Varennes*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

104. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice des Sœurs de la Providence, St. Vincent de Paul*; for the financial year, ending 30th June, 1871.

105. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital de la Providence, Joliette*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

106. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hospice de Laprairie, Laprairie*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

107. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an aid to *L'Hôpital St. Joseph, Chambly*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

108. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Reformatory Schools; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

109. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Industrial Schools; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

110. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Registration Service; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

111. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eight thousand two hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of the *Quebec (Official Gazette)*; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

112. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be

granted to Her Majesty, to meet demands on Municipalities' Fund, (Con. Stat., cap. 110, Sec. 7); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

113. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, as an allowance for Lieutenant Governor's residence; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

114. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Arbitration under Constitutional Act; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

115. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to meet retiring allowances, if found advisable; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

116. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of enforcement of Game Laws; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

117. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding eighteen thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray Miscellaneous expenses; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

118. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding twenty-four thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray the expenses of Surveys, (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

119. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty-seven thousand one hundred and seventy dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray general expenditure by Crown Lands Department, including Jesuits' Estates, Clergy Lands, Crown Domain, Seignior of *Lauzon* and Woods and Forests, (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

120. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand five hundred dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, to defray charges on Stamps, Licenses, &c., (covering Statutory appropriations); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be now read a second time.

And the first to the twenty-ninth Resolutions, inclusive, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The thirtieth Resolution, being read a second time; and the Question being proposed, that this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution;

Mr. *Benoit* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*, that all the words after "That," to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "this House is not now prepared to adopt a system for the purpose of attaching model farms to Normal Schools and to give them the management thereof," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bachand,
Benoit,
Bessette,
Craig,

Gaudet,
Gendron,
Hearn,
Joly,

Laberge,
Lavallée,
Marchand,
Mailloux,

Molleur,
Robert and
Verreault.—15.

NAYS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bellingham</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>kinongé,)</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Simard,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> | <i>Thérien, and</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Ogilvie,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—41</i> |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the thirtieth Resolution ; it was resolved in the affirmative.

The 31st to the 45th Resolutions inclusive being read a second time, were agreed to.

The forty-sixth Resolution being read a second time, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the said Resolution ;

Mr. Benoit moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Molleur, that all the words after " That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words " in the opinion of this House, it is injurious to the interests of this Province, to lend money in the manner required by the Government for the *Dorchester Bridge*," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment ; the House divided : and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Roy, and</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Thérien.—20</i> |
| <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Molleur,</i> | |
| <i>Desaulniers, [Mas-</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> | |
| <i>kinongé,]</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> | |

NAYS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Coutlée,</i> | <i>Hearn,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Irvine (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Desaulniers (St.</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Simard,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Tremblay, and</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Verreault.—30.</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> | |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> | |
| <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put, That this House doth concur with the Committee in the forty-sixth Resolution :

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The remaining Resolutions, being read a second time, were agreed to.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into Committee of Supply.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection or purchase of Public Departments, (a part whereof may be applied towards the building of a Normal School); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection or purchase of the Lieutenant-Governor's residence; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to two Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Monday next.

Mr. *Bellerose*, also acquainted the House, That he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on Monday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 20th December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Benoit*,—The Petition of *John Scriver* and others, of *Huntingdon* and other Counties.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *J. B. Bishop* and others, of the Township of *Dudswell*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Council of the *Quebec* Board of Trade; praying that the Bill for establishing a general system of Police in this Province be adopted, provided the charges on the said City of *Quebec*, be not increased under the new system.

Of *Thomas Workman* and others,—of *W. E. Ibbotson* and others, all of the Cities of *Montreal* and *Quebec*,—and of *Geo. Wood* and others, of *Coaticook*, County of *Stanstead*; severally praying that the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the College of Pharmacy of the Province of *Quebec*, may be adopted.

Of *John Hunter* and others, of *St. George de Clarenceville* ; praying for amendments to the Game laws.

Of the Reverend *L. N. Bernier* and others, of the County of *Témiscouata* ; praying for the survey of a Township and the opening of Roads in the said County.

Of the College of *St. Laurent*,—and of the *Sœurs Marianites de Ste. Croix*, of the Parish of *St. Laurent*, County of *Jacques-Cartier* ; severally praying for aid.

Of *D. Torrance* and others, of the City of *Montreal* ; praying for an annual grant in aid of the Protestant Institution for Deaf-Mutes and the Blind in the said City.

Of *Félix Fournier* and others, of the Townships of *Mailloux* and *Buckland* ; praying aid to construct a bridge over the River *la Fourche du Pin*.

Of the Reverend *P. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis* and other places ; praying aid for the *Kinogami* Road, and for the opening of two Roads in the Townships of *Métabetchouan* and *Ashuapmouchouan*, and the survey of the lands between the *Ashuapmouchouan* and *Mistassin* Rivers.

Of *Pierre Cloutier* and others, of the place called *Détour du Lac Témiscouata*,—Of the Reverend *Chas. Galarneau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Cyrille*,—Of the Reverend *Joseph M. Rioux* and others, of the Townships of *Rioux* and *Bellechasse*, County of *Bellechasse*,—Of *Joseph Lefebvre* and others, of the Parish of *St. Giles*.—Of *Lazare Bédard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Flavien*,—Of the Reverend *N. M. Huot* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe*, all in the County of *Lotbinière*,—Of the Reverend *F. Catellier* and others, of the Townships of *Jersey* and *Marlow*.—Of the Reverend *F. Catellier* and others, of the Township of *Jersey* and of the Parish of *St. George*,—Of the Reverend *F. Catellier* and others of the Parish of *St. George*, and Townships of *Linrière* and *Jersey*, all in the County of *Beauce*,—And of the Reverend *John Rollit* and others, of *Gore* and other Townships ; severally praying aid for Roads.

Mr. De Lotbinière-Harwood, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Petitions, and find that the requisite notices have been given.

Of *William Bell* and others, of the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South, praying that a portion of the said Municipality be annexed to the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch, Quebec* North.

Of *Jean Doyon* and others, of *Tring* and other Townships ; praying for the passing of an Act to divide the said Townships into three Municipalities.

The Honorable *Mr. Robertson*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to present the Report of the Sub-Committee as their Third Report, and to recommend the same to the consideration of Your Honorable House.

The whole respectfully submitted.

J. O. BEAUBIEN,
Chairman.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, QUEBEC,
No. 3 Committee Room,
December 18th, 1869.

To the Chairman and Members of the Joint Committee on Printing for both Houses.

Your Sub-Committee have the honor to inform you that they have examined the Civil Service Commissioners' Report, and recommend it to be printed in the usual quantity for Sessional distribution, and also as a Sessional document.

The whole respectfully submitted.

EDWD. HALE,
Chairman.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Report of the Minister of Public Instruction for the year 1868, and part for the year 1869. (Sessional papers, No. 2.)

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the Printing of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Select Committee on the Bill, intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*, presented to the House the second Report of the said Committee which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have the honor to report to Your Honorable House, That at the last sitting of your Committee, the Hon. Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, on behalf of the Sub-Committee appointed by your Committee, to examine the Bill, intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec* and its amendments," reported to Your Committee the result of their labors.

That it appears by this report that since the 6th December instant, the date of their appointment, sixteen sittings were held, and the two first books of the Code examined.

That on motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by Mr. *Gaudet*, Your Committee adopted the following Resolution :

That this Committee profits by this occasion to express their appreciation of the zeal with which the Sub-Committee have discharged the important duties entrusted to them.

That your Committee are also of opinion, that it would be desirable, in the event of an adjournment of this House, that the labours of the Sub-Committee should not be interrupted, and that they should be permitted to continue their sitting during the recess.

Your Committee recommend, therefore, to Your Honorable House, that the following Resolutions be adopted :

Resolved :

1. That the Hon. Messrs. *Chauveau* and *Robertson*, do form part of the said Sub-Committee.

2. That the quorum of the Sub-Committee be reduced to four members.

3. That in the event of the adjournment of this House, the Sub-Committee be authorized to continue their sittings during the recess.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Ordered, That Mr. *Church* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the Society called the Union of *St. Joseph* of *St. Paul* of *Aylmer*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Laberge* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act 20 *Victoria*, chapter 119.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Mr. *Tremblay*, from the Select Committee, appointed to enquire into the practicability of continuing the *Gosford* Road to Lake *St. John*, presented to the House the First Report of the said Committee, which was read. (Appendix No. 2.)

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Third Report of the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

Ordered, That Mr. *Hemming* have leave to bring in a Bill to annex a portion of the Municipality of *St. Roch* South to *St. Roch* North.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lavallée* have leave to bring in a Bill to relieve the Union *St. Joseph* of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lavallée* have leave to bring in a Bill to relieve the Union *St. Jacques* of *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read; praying that the prayer of the Petition of *W. Bell* and others, to annex a portion of the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South to the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* North, be not granted.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns on Thursday next, it do stand adjourned till Wednesday, the twelfth day of January next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Society *St. Jean-Baptiste of St. Romuald of Farnham*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Tremblay reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Lavallée, seconded by Mr. Gaudet,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a detailed statement of the sums expended from the appropriations voted during last session, for Colonization Roads of the 2nd and 3rd class; the said statement also to show the amount expended in each electoral division of the Province; and further, all applications for money made by any Municipality, in accordance with the act.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 21st December, 1869.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. Pozer,—The Petition of *Pierre Dupont* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Vital de Lambton* and *St. Sebastien d'Aylmer*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. Marchand,—The Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of the City of *Montreal*.

By the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,—The Petition of *James McMartin* and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*, the Petition of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Charité*, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. Leblanc* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*.

By the Honorable *Sir G. E. Cartier*, Baronet,—The Petition of *P. C. Dupont*, Keeper of the Court House of *Three Rivers*.

By Mr. Tremblay,—The Petition of *Job Bilodeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de la Pointe-aux-Trembles*.

Mr. *De Lotbinière-Harwood*, from the Standing Committee on Standing Orders, presented to the House, the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Petition of *Robert W. Pearson*, of the City of *Montreal*; praying for the passing of an Act to authorize him to practise as an Advocate, and find that the requisite notices have not been given. It cannot, therefore, recommend the suspension of the 51st Rule.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*," and beg to report the same, without amendment.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Sixth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Bills and agreed to certain amendments to each, which they humbly beg to submit for the consideration of your Honorable House :

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called The Irish Catholic Benefit Society of *Montreal*;" Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the Society called the Union *St. Joseph of St. Paul of Aylmer*."

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports on Private Bills be extended to Saturday, the 15th day of January next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal in part, chapter 72, of the 32nd *Victoria*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the 51st Rule of this House be suspended, in relation to a Bill to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortin* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the act incorporating the *Montreal Warehousing Company*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Pozer* have leave to bring in a Bill to erect the Townships of *Tring, Forsyth, Adstock, Dorset*, and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into Local Municipalities.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill for the more advantageous disposal of property in the hands of Administrators.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday, the thirteenth day of January next.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the Resolutions reported from the Committee of Supply on Friday, the 17th instant.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, That the 1st Resolution be now recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House for the purpose of amending the same, by striking out the words "a part whereof may be applied towards the building of a Normal School," and by adding after the words "purchase of" the words "being one-third of the entire expenditure contemplated for such purpose."

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

And the Question being proposed, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

Mr. *Joly* moved in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Marchand*, That all the words after "That," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "in the present uncertain state of the finances of the Province, it is not prudent to undertake the construction of Public Buildings, the cost of which it is impossible to calculate," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Molleur,</i> | <i>Thérien, and</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robert,</i> | <i>Tremblay—9.</i> |
| <i>Joly,</i> | | | |

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> |
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| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Ouimet,[Atty.-Gen.]</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, [Mas-</i> | <i>Irvine, [Sol.-Gen.]</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>kinongé,]</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Cartier,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, [St.</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Maurice,]</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Simard, and</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Verreault.—45.</i> |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Resolved, That this House do now resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

Resolved, That the 1st Resolution adopted in Committee of Supply, on Friday, the 17th instant, be amended by striking out the words "a part whereof may be applied towards the building of a Normal School," and by adding after the words "purchase of," the words "being one-third of the entire expenditure contemplated for such purpose."

Resolution to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to a Resolution.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 22nd December, 1869.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Report of the Union *St. Pierre du Village de Bienville de Lévis*. (Sessional Papers, No. 5.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Bachand*,—The Petition of *Joseph Demers* and others, of the Parish of *St. Valérien de Milton*.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. B. Villeneuve* and others, of *Notre-Dame de Hébertville* and other Parishes; the Petition of the Reverend *N. M. Constantin* and others, of *Notre-Dame de Hébertville*; and the Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Hudon* and others, of *Notre-Dame de Hébertville* and other Parishes.

By Mr. *Desaulniers*, (*Maskinongé*),—The Petition of the Reverend *J. A. Mayrand* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Ursule*, County of *Maskinongé*.

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*.

By Mr. *Picard*,—The Petition of *J. Williamson* and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*, County of *Richmond*.

By Mr. *LaRue*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Casimir*.

By Mr. *Pozer*,—The Petition of the Reverend *H. Desruisseaux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Evariste de Forsyth*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Fortin*,—The Petition of the Reverend *M. N. Bilodeau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste Anne des Monts*; the Petition of the Reverend *A. A. Marcoux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Norbert du Cap Chat*; and the Petition of the Reverend *A. A. Marcoux* and others, of the Township of *Cap Chat*, all in the County of *Gaspé*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :
Of *John Scriver* and others, of *Huntingdon* and other Counties; praying that the rights and privileges granted to the persons interested by the 5th

Section of the Act 20th *Victoria*, chap. 142, be again secured to them by the Railway Act prayed for by *S. S. Foster* and others.

Of *J. B. Bishop* and others, of the Township of *Dudswell*; praying aid for a Road.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented, Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 6th December, 1869; For Copies of all correspondence between the Governments of the Provinces of *Quebec* and *Ontario*, the Government of the Dominion of *Canada* and the Arbitrators, since the last session of this Parliament, respecting the division of the surplus of the debt of the late Province of *Canada*. (Sessional Papers, No. 13.]

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses, on the Printing of the Legislature.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 27th *Vic.*, cap. 9., respecting the sale of lands by Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a select Committee composed of Mr. *Picard*, the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Bachand*, Mr. *Lavallée*, Mr. *Mailloux*, Mr. *Hemming*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*), and Mr. *Chapleau*, to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House the Fourth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have the honor to present to Your Honorable House the report of the Sub-Committee as their Fourth Report, and to recommend the same for consideration.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL,
No. 3 Committee Room;
22nd December, 1869.

To the Chairman and members of the Joint Committee on the Printing of the Legislature.

Your Sub-Committee have the honor to present to Your Committee their Report recommending that the First Report of the Special Committee, appointed to enquire into the practicability of continuing the *Gosford* Road to Lake *St. John*, be printed in the quantity usually required for Sessional distribution, and also as a Sessional document.

The whole respectfully submitted.

ED. HALE,
Chairman.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the act to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two registration divisions, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Wednesday, the 12th day of January next.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Police force in this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, then acquainted the House that His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant Governor in Council may fix the pay of the officers and men of the Police force, but that such pay shall not in any case exceed the following rates :

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| For the commissioner..... | \$2,000 | per an. |
| For each superintendent..... | 1,200 | " |
| For each sergeant... .. | 500 | " |
| For each 1st class constable..... | 450 | " |
| For each 2nd class " | 400 | " |

2. *Resolved*, That proper station-houses, lock-up houses, and other buildings required for police purposes, other than barracks, shall be furnished by each City, Town, or Municipality in which a Police force shall be stationed, or that if they be not so furnished they shall be procured under orders of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and the expense shall be paid by such City, Town, or Municipality to the Treasurer, and be recoverable in the same manner as the other sums payable to him, under this act.

3. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may also authorize the payment of the expense of fuel and light for the police force, and of such forage as may be necessary; also a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars a year for contingent expenses of the Commissioner's office; and also, the sums required for horses, arms and accoutrements.

4. *Resolved*, That the Province will provide for the maintenance of any officer or man of the force disabled in the performance of his duty as such, by an allowance, not exceeding the salary or wages actually received by him under this act at the time of his being disabled, and that such allowance may be paid him accordingly by order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

5. *Resolved*, That all sums of money required to defray any expense authorized by this act may be paid out of the consolidated revenue fund of this Province, upon warrant directed by the Lieutenant-Governor to the Treasurer; and that such warrants may be made in favor of the Com-

missioner to enable him to pay such expense, or in favor of the party directly entitled to the money.

6. *Resolved*, That in case of any riot or disturbance or apprehension thereof, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may authorise the Commissioner to appoint, in addition to any number appointed under any other provision of this act, such a number of officers and men as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may deem necessary. That the engagement of such officers and men shall last for such time as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall direct, and that they shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Chapleau* reported, That the Committee had come to several Resolutions.

And the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received, And a Debate arising thereupon.

And it being Six of the clock, P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past seven o'clock P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the Orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to incorporate the Society *St. Jean-Baptiste* of *St. Romuald* of *Farnham*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to incorporate the Society called the Society *St. Jean-Baptiste* of *St. Romuald de Farnham*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate "The *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Irish Catholic Benefit Society* of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the Society called "The Union of *St. Joseph* of *St. Paul* of *Aylmer*;" being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and Committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns, this day, it do stand adjourned till To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, A. M., and that Government measures do take precedence.

The Debate on the Question, That the Report of the Committee of the Whole House to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Police force in this Province be now received, was then resumed.

And the Question being put, It was resolved in the affirmative.

Mr. Chapleau reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow :

1. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may fix the pay of the officers and men of the Police force, but that such pay shall not in any case exceed the following rates :

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| For the commissioner..... | \$2,000 | per an. |
| For each superintendent..... | 1,200 | " |
| For each sergeant..... | 500 | " |
| For each 1st class constable..... | 450 | " |
| For each 2nd class " | 400 | " |

2. *Resolved*, That proper station-houses, lock-up houses, and other buildings required for police purposes, other than barracks, shall be furnished by each City, Town, or Municipality in which a Police force shall be stationed, or that if they be not so furnished they shall be procured under orders of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, and the expense shall be paid by such City, Town, or Municipality to the Treasurer, and be recoverable in the same manner as the other sums payable to him under this act.

3. *Resolved*, That the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may also authorize the payment of the expense of fuel and light for the Police force, and of such forage as may be necessary; also, a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars a year for contingent expenses of the commissioner's office; and also, the sums required for horses, arms and accoutrements.

4. *Resolved*, That the Province will provide for the maintenance of any officer or man of the force disabled in the performance of his duty as such, by an allowance, not exceeding the salary or wages actually received by him under this act at the time of his being disabled, and that such allowance may be paid him accordingly by order of the Lieutenant-Governor in Council.

5. *Resolved*, That all sums of money required to defray any expense authorized by this act may be paid out of the consolidated revenue fund of this province, upon warrant directed by the Lieutenant-Governor to the Treasurer; and that such warrants may be made in favor of the Commissioner to enable him to pay such expense, or in favor of the party directly entitled to the money.

6. *Resolved*, That in case of any riot or disturbance or apprehension thereof, the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, may authorize the Commissioner to appoint, in addition to any number appointed under any other provision of this act, such a number of officers and men as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council may deem necessary. That the engagement of such officers and men shall last for such time as the Lieutenant-Governor in Council shall direct, and that they shall be paid out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of the Province.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, the 1st Resolution as amended in Committee of the whole on Tuesday, the 21st instant, which was read, as followeth :

1. *Resolved*, That a sum not exceeding fifty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection or purchase of Public Departments, (being one third of the entire expenditure contemplated for such purpose); for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

The Resolutions respecting the Police force in this Province, were referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to establish a general system of Police in this Province.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to establish a general system of Police in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow, at Ten o'clock, A.M.

Thursday, 23rd December, 1869.

Ten o'clock, A.M.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Chapleau*.—The Petition of *Antoine Paiement* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte*, County of *Terrebonne*, and the Townships of *Wexford* and *Kilkenny*, County of *Montcalm*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *James McMartin* and others, of the County of *Two Mountains*; praying aid to deepen the rivers called "*Rivière du Chêne* and *Rivière au Prince*."

Of *P. C. Dupont*, Keeper of the Court House of *Three Rivers*; praying for an increase of salary.

Of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Providence*, of the City of *Montreal*; and of *Les Sœurs de l'Asile de la Charité*, of the City of *Quebec*; severally praying for aid.

Of the Reverend *M. Leblanc*, and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*; praying for the survey of the lands and the opening of a Road to the west of *Ste. Agathe*.

Of *Pierre Dupont* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Vital de Lambton* and *St. Sebastien d'Aylmer*, County of *Beauce*,—and of *Job Bilodeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Louis de la Pointe aux Trembles*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Ordered, That Mr. *Mailloux* have leave to bring in a Bill to revive the provisions of chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the payment of Jurors.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time on Thursday, the 13th day of January next.

Mr. Church reported, from the Committee of the whole House, the Bill to establish a general system of Police in this Province, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act for establishing a general system of Police in this Province."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Wednesday, the 12th day of January next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *Irish Catholic Benefit Society of Montreal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. Desaulniers (*St Maurice*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Wednesday, the 12th day of January next.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill to incorporate The *Quebec, New York, and Boston Lumber Company*, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be referred to the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the Society called The Union *St. Joseph of St. Paul of Aylmer*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Lavallée reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time on Wednesday, the 12th day of January next.

And then the House adjourned till Wednesday, the 12th day of January next.

Wednesday, 12th January, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of affairs of the *St Bridget's Asylum Association, Quebec*, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Pozzer*,—The Petition of *Charles Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Vital de Lambton*, County of *Beauce*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Sauveur* ; praying that the Bill to annex a part of the Municipality of *St. Roch* South to *St. Roch* North, may not become law.

Of *Joseph Demers* and others, of the Parish of *St. Valerien de Milton* ; praying for amendments to the Act respecting Vehicles used on Winter Roads.

Of the Reverend *M. Guertin* and others, of the Parish of *St. Casimir* ; praying that the Parish of *St. Ubalde*, in the County of *Portneuf*, be civilly erected.

Of *Antoine Paiement* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte*, County of *Terrebonne*, and the Townships of *Wexford* and *Kilkenny*, County of *Montcalm* ; praying that that part of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte* which is situate in the County of *Montcalm*, be annexed to the County of *Terrebonne*.

Of the Reverend *H. Desruisseaux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Evariste de Forsyth*, County of *Beauce* ; praying for a resident Judge in the District of *Beauce*.

Of the Reverend *J. A. Mayrand* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Ursule*, County of *Maskinongé* ; praying for aid to build a Convent in the said Parish.

Of the Reverend *A. A. Marcoux* and others, of the Parish of *St. Norbert du Cap Chat*, County of *Gaspé* ; praying aid for a Bridge.

Of the Reverend *N. M. Constantin* and others,—Of the Reverend *J. B. Villeneuve* and others,—Of the Reverend *Joseph Hudon* and others, all of *Notre-Dame de Hébertville* and other Parishes,—Of *J. Williamson* and others, of the Township of *Melbourne*, County of *Richmond*,—Of the Reverend *M. N. Bilodeau* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne des Monts*, and of the Reverend *A. A. Marcoux* and others, of the Township of *Cap Chat*, both in the County of *Gaspé* ; severally praying aid for Roads.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to incorporate the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to uphold the authority and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec Legislature* and the independence of the Members thereof, and to protect persons publishing Parliamentary Papers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Quimet* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting Tariffs of Fees for certain Judicial Officers.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same

was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

A Bill to incorporate the Society called "The Union of *St. Joseph of St. Paul of Aylmer*," was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 13th January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. Tremblay,—The Petition of the Reverend A. Bernier and others, of the Township of *Saguenay*.

By the Honorable Mr. Chauveau,—The Petition of the Right Reverend the Anglican Bishop of *Quebec* and others.

By the Honorable Mr. Robertson,—The Petition of M. Buzzell and others, of the Township of *Orford*; and the Petition of the Town Council of the Town of *Sherbrooke*.

By Mr. Fortin,—The Petition of the Reverend D. Roussel and others; the Petition of the Reverend F. A. Blouin and others, of the Parish of *Notre-Dame de L'Assomption*; the Petition of J. Bte. Caron and others, of *Grande Vallée*; and the Petition of Thomas C. Remon and others, of *Pabos* and *Newport*, all of the County of *Gaspé*.

By Mr. Chapleau,—The Petition of the Reverend T. Dagenais and others, of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*; the Petition of the Reverend L. A. Dequoy and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*; the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Marguerite du Lac Masson*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*, all of the County of *Terrebonne*.

By Mr. Lavallée,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Ambroise de Kildare*; and the Petition of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Calixte de Beauport*.

By Mr. Marchand,—The Petition of W. Harty and others, of the Parish of *St. Bernard de Lacolle*, County of *St. Jean*.

By Mr. Garon,—The Petition of Vital Roy and others, of the Parish of *St. Fabien*, County of *Rimouski*.

By Mr. Rhéaume,—The Petition of F. X. Langevin and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

Mr. Church, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Seventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following bills, and agreed to certain amendments to each, which they respectfully submit for the consideration of your Honorable House:

Bill, intituled : "An Act to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*."

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act 20 *Victoria*, chapter 119, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled : "An Act to protect the Manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Robert*, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : "An Act to protect the Manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Friday, 14th January, 1870.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Mailloux*,—The Petition of the Reverend *T. Thérberge* and others, of the Parishes of *Notre-Dame des Trois-Pistoles* and *Ste. Francoise*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :

Of *Charles Gagnon* and others, of the Parish of *St. Vital de Lambton*, County of *Beauce* ; praying for a resident Judge in the District of *Beauce*.

Mr. *Church*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Eighth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg to recommend to Your Honorable House that the delay for receiving reports on Private Bills be extended to the twenty-first instant, in order to afford to your Committee the necessary time to give due consideration to the various bills referred to them.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports on Private Bills be extended to Friday the 21st instant.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in a Bill to authorize a loan to the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads*, for the purpose of repairing *Dorchester Bridge*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in a Bill respecting the issuing of Licenses.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting the storage of Gunpowder in and near the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Supply, the second Resolution adopted in Committee of the Whole, on Friday, 17th December last, which was read, as followeth:

Resolved, That a sum not exceeding thirty thousand dollars, be granted to Her Majesty, towards the erection or purchase of the Lieutenant-Governor's residence; for the financial year ending 30th June, 1871.

The said Resolution being read a second time, was agreed to.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the Act respecting the Bar of *Lower Canada*, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the duties of certain Judicial Offices in cases of vacancy, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Tuesday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the interdiction of Habitual Drunkards, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to a Select Committee, composed of Mr. *Genest*, the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, Mr. *Joly*, Mr. *Marchand*, Mr. *Gaudet*, Mr. *Gendron*, Mr. *Church*, Mr. *Tremblay*, Mr. *Robert*, Mr. *Jodoin*, Mr. *Craig*, and Mr. *Desaulniers*, (*Maskinongé*); to report thereon with all convenient speed; with power to send for persons, papers and records.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 17th January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Coullée*,—The Petition of *J. B. McKie* and others; the Petition of *Robert Cross* and others; the Petition of *Abraham Charest* and others; and the Petition of *Isaïe Ménard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph* of *Soulanges*, all of the County of *Soulanges*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *Roger Taylor* and others, of the Township of *Clifton*.

By Mr. *Bellingham*,—The Petition of the *Huron* and *Ontario* Ship Canal Company.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Town Council of the Town of *Sherbrooke*; praying for amendments to the Municipal Act.

Of the Right Reverend the Anglican Bishop of *Quebec* and others; praying aid for the *Belmont* Inebriate Retreat, *Ste. Foye*.

Of *W. Harty* and others, of the Parish of *St. Bernard de Lacolle*, County of *St. Jean*; praying aid for the *Lacolle* Academy Association.

Of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Agathe des Monts*,—Of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Marguerite du Lac Masson*,—Of the Municipality of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*, all of the County of *Terrebonne*,—Of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Ambroise de Kildare*,—and of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Calixte de Beauport*; severally praying for changes in the appointment of the Crown Lands Agent, for the Division of *L'Assomption*.

Of the Reverend *T. Dagenais* and others, of the Parish of *St. Sauveur*,—and of the Reverend *L. A. Dequoy* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Adèle*; severally praying for a survey of the lands and the opening of a Colonization Road to the west of *Ste. Agathe*.

Of *Thomas C. Remon* and others, of *Pabos* and *Newport*, County of *Gaspé*,—and of the Reverend *A. Bernier* and others, of the Township of *Saguenay*; severally praying aid for Roads and Bridges.

Of the Reverend *F. A. Blouin* and others, of the Parish of *Notre-Dame de L'Assomption*,—Of *J. B. Caron* and others, of *Grande Vallée*,—Of the Reverend *D. Roussel* and others, all of the County of *Gaspé*,—Of *M. Buzzell* and others, of the Township of *Orford*,—Of *Vital Roy* and others, of the Parish of *St. Fabien*, County of *Rimouski*,—and of the Reverend *A. Théberge* and others, of the Parishes of *Notre-Dame des Trois-Pistoles* and *Ste. Francoise*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Ordered, that Mr. *Dugas* have leave of absence for fifteen days, in consequence of severe illness in his family.

Ordered, That Mr. *Church* have leave of absence for eight days, in consequence of urgent public business.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to dispense with the use of Parchment for Public Documents.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was

received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Resolved, That this House will To-morrow resolve itself into a Committee to consider of Ways and Means for raising the Supply granted to Her Majesty.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, Mr. *Cantwell*, and Mr. *Picard*, be added to the Select Committee on the Bill to Provide for the interdiction of Habitual Drunkards.

Ordered, That Mr. *Lavallée* have leave to bring in a Bill to explain Section 77, of Chapter 15, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Schools.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and Ordered to be read a second time, on Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to continue, for a limited time, certain Acts therein mentioned.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

A Bill to incorporate the *Irish Catholic Benefit Society of Montreal*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to incorporate the Society called the *Irish Catholic Benefit Society of Montreal*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to incorporate the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozzer* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Tremblay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act 20 *Victoria*, chapter 119; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bachand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bachand* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to exempt homesteads and certain other property under a certain value, from seizure under execution, being read ;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend §2 *Victoria*, chapter 22, respecting Jurors and Juries, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Montcalm*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : " An Act to protect the Manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province," being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Ninth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg to report, with regard to the Bill to remedy certain errors committed in drawing up the *cadastre* of the Seigniorie *Nicolas Rioux*, which has been referred to Your Committee, that there this day appeared before them, Mr. *Chapleau*, the promoter of the said Bill, who begged leave to withdraw the same, which was granted to him.

Your Committee beg to recommend to Your Honorable House that the fee of \$100, which the Honorable Member for *Terrebonne* has paid into the hands of the Clerk of Private Bills, on account of the said Bill, be returned to him, and further that he be reimbursed his printing expenses.

Your Committee further examined the following Bills, and beg to report them with amendments :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to relieve the Union *St. Joseph de Montréal*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to relieve *L'Union St. Jacques de Montréal*."

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to facilitate the taking of evidence in civil cases being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the whole House, for To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 18th January, 1870.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the affairs of the *Isle Jésus* Turnpike Road Company, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 14.)

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Rhéaume*,—The Petition of *J. A. Tapin* and others, of the City of *Quebec*.

By Mr. *Hearn*,—The Petition of the *St. Lawrence* Division, No. 16, Sons of Temperance, of the City of *Quebec*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,—The petition of *D. R. Wood* and others, of *Shefford* and other Townships; the Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Bolton*; the Petition of the *Huntington* Mining Company, and the Petition of the *Ives* Mining Company.

Mr. *Picard* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Act 27 *Victoria*, Cap. 9, respecting the Sale of lands by Municipalities; That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Mr. *Bachand* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend certain articles therein mentioned, of the Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*, That they had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* have leave to bring in a Bill to facilitate re-entry upon abandoned lands in certain cases.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That the 49th Rule of this House be suspended in relation to a Bill to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada* passed in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of the Union *St. Pierre* of *Montreal*."

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in the said Bill.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to repeal Section 16 of 32 *Victoria*, chapter 70, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons, or other house or place of public entertainment.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Thursday next.

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, from the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature, presented to the House, the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following documents :

"Return to an Address from the Legislative Assembly of the Province of *Quebec*, respecting the correspondence interchanged between the Governments of the Province of *Quebec* and the Dominion of *Canada*, as also between the Government of the Province or *Ontario* and the Arbitrators, with reference to the division of the Surplus of the debt of the late Province of *Canada*, since the last Session of this Parliament."

"Report of the Honorable Minister of Public Instruction, for 1868."

Your Committee have the honor to recommend that the latter document be printed in the quantity usually required for Sessional Papers, in addition to three thousand copies in French and two thousand copies in English for the department of Public Instruction.

Your Committee further recommend that the first of these documents be not printed.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Ordered, That the fee paid on, and the expenses for printing the Bill to remedy certain errors committed in drawing up the *cadastre* of the Signiory of *Nicolas Rioux* be refunded.

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to Mr. *Craig*, in consequence of severe illness in his family.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Tenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and beg to report the same with certain amendments, which they respectfully recommend for the consideration of Your Honorable House :

Bill, intituled : "An Act to empower the *Rockland Slate Company* to raise additional Capital.

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal Warehousing Company*."

Your Committee have also examined the Bill respecting the Minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, Notary, of the City of *Montreal*, and beg to report the same, with amendments.

A Bill to incorporate the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee, on the Bill respecting the duties of certain Judicial Offices in cases of vacancy; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee of Ways and Means.

(IN THE COMMITTEE.)

1. *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty, for the current financial year, the sum of three hundred and twenty-seven thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars and twenty-four cents, be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

2. *Resolved*, That towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, the sum of one million eight hundred and ninety-one thousand one hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty-six cents, be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That the Committee had come to two Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be received on Thursday next.

Mr. *Bellerose*, also acquainted the House, that he was directed to move, That the Committee may have leave to sit again.

Resolved, That this House will, on Thursday next, again resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to facilitate the taking of evidence in Civil Cases; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received,

Mr. *Hamilton* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill further to amend the law respecting Education in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting tariffs of fees for certain Judicial officers, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to authorize a loan to the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads, for the purpose of repairing *Dorchester* Bridge, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Robertson* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

Mr. *Benoit* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Molleur*, "That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Molleur,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Robert, and</i> |
| <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Thérien.—16.</i> |
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NAYS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Atty. Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Coullée,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Pozer,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>Langevin,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Maurice),</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Chapais,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> | <i>Tremblay, and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> | <i>Verreault.—36.</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the issuing of Licenses, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

A Bill to amend the Act, 20 *Victoria*, chapter 119, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend the Act 20th *Victoria*, chapter 119, respecting the running of the boundary line between the Seignior of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester*, and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purpose of a Road.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Montcalm*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr *Roy* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to protect the manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Brigham* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, that the Committee have leave to sit again, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to settle certain legitimate successions, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

A Bill to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to relieve the *Union St. Joseph* of *Montreal*, being read;

And the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time,

Mr. *Carter* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Locke*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof,

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 19th January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Locke*,—The Petition of *W. L. Oliver* and others, of the Township of *Barnston*, County of *Stanstead*.

By Mr. *Bessette*.—The Petition of the Reverend *F. Michon* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne de Stukeley*.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of *Marcel Hébert* and others, of the Parish of *St. Magloire*, County of *Bellechasse*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *J. B. McKie* and others,—Of *Robt. Cross* and others,—Of *Abraham Charest* and others, all of the County of *Soulanges* ; praying for amendments to the Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads.

Of *Isaïe Ménard* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Soulanges*, County of *Soulanges* ; praying that no amendments be made to the Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads.

Of *Roger Taylor* and others, of the Township of *Clifton* ; praying aid for a Road.

Of the *Huron and Ontario Ship Canal Company* ; praying that a Committee be appointed to examine the present position of the said Company.

Mr. *Génest* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to provide for the interdiction of Habitual Drunkards, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That Mr. *Picard* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend Chapter 18, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the construction and repair of Churches, Parsonage Houses and Cemeteries.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Fortin* have leave to bring in a Bill to protect Forests against Fires.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, on Friday next.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Eleventh Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :—

Your Committee beg to recommend to Your Honorable House a further extension, to the twenty-fifth instant inclusive, of the delay for receiving reports on Private Bills, which expires on the twenty-first instant, as there are still several important Bills under the consideration of Your Committee.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports on Private Bills be extended to Tuesday, the twenty-fifth instant inclusive.

A Bill to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Montcalm*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee, on the Bill to amend the Act respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Rhéaume* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Rh aume* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be reprinted for the use of the members of this House.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend thirty-second *Victoria*, Chapter twenty-two, respecting Jurors and Juries; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend certain articles therein mentioned of the Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the chair; and Mr. *Marchand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to empower the *Rockland Slate Company* to raise additional Capital, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the day, for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal Warehousing Company*, been read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

A Bill respecting the duties of certain Judicial Offices in cases of vacancy, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to facilitate the taking of evidence in Civil Cases, was, according to order, read the third time.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, the first clause of the Bill was amended, by inserting after the word "may," in the fifth line, the words "as regards default cases and also" and by inserting after the word "attorneys," in the fifth and sixth lines, the words "as regards contested cases."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the

Bill respecting tariffs of fees for certain Judicial officers; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozzer* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to authorize a loan to the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads, for the purpose of repairing *Dorchester* Bridge; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill respecting the issuing of Licenses; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Picard* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill for the more advantageous disposal of property in the hands of Administrators, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:—

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called "The Union of *St. Joseph* of *Farnham*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the indemnity to members of the Legislature, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the appointment of justices of the Peace with more extensive Jurisdiction."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with one amendment to each, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Caledonian Society of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Caledonian Society of *Montreal*," and the same was read, as followeth:

Page 2, line 35, after the word "reports" insert the words "to the Lieutenant-Governor and,"

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, To-morrow.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*," and the same was read, as followeth:

Page 2, line 37, after the word "reports" insert the words "to the Lieutenant-Governor and,"

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, To-morrow. And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Thursday, 20th January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. H. Graham* and others, the Principal and Trustees of *St. Francis* College, *Richmond*.

By Mr. *Locke*,—The Petition of *C. Abbott* and others, of the Township of *Magog*, County of *Stanstead*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *J. A. Tapin* and others, of the City of *Quebec*; praying that the Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinances relating to the City of *Quebec*, and the Water-works of the said City, may not become law.

Of the *St. Lawrence* Division, No. 16, Sons of Temperance, of the City of *Quebec*; praying aid for the *Belmont* Retreat.

Of *D. R. Wood* and others, of *Shefford* and other Townships,—Of the Municipality of the Township of *Bolton*,—Of the *Huntington* Mining Company,—and of the *Ives* Mining Company; severally praying for aid to macadamize a Road.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Twelfth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to erect the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset* and a part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into local municipalities, and have the honor to report the same, with several amendments.

Ordered, That Mr. *Roy* have leave to bring in a Bill to exempt Ministers of Religion, in the performance of their duties, from the payment of Tolls on Bridges and Roads.

He accordingly presented the said bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, have leave to bring in a Bill to permit the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench to be fixed by Proclamation.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same

was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*. have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On motion of Mr. *LaRue*, seconded by Mr. *Bellerose*,

Ordered, That it be an instruction to the Standing Committee on Agriculture, Immigration and Colonization, to enquire into the most efficacious means to promote the progress of and assist the agricultural classes in the Province of *Quebec*, and to popularize the science of Agriculture ; and to report such suggestions as the Committee may deem desirable to recommend.

On motion of Mr. *Beaubien*, seconded by Mr. *Rh  aume*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a statement of the accounts, expenditure and receipts of the *South Shore Turnpike Trust* ; and also, a statement of the debentures issued by it from the time when it was separated from the *North Shore Turnpike Trust*, to the present time.

On motion of Mr. *Pelletier*, seconded by Mr. *LaRue*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House a statement showing the yearly amounts of the receipts and expenditure of the various Roads on the *South Shore of the River St. Lawrence*, since they were placed under the control of the *Quebec Turnpike Trust*, under the Act eighteen *Victoria*, Chapter two hundred and thirty-five, up to the time the *North Shore Turnpike Trust* was separated from that of the *South Shore* ; as also, the length macadamized and kept in repair on each of the Roads mentioned in Section eight of the said Act.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

A Bill to amend 32nd *Victoria*, Chapter 22, respecting Jurors and Juries, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to amend the law respecting Jurors in Civil Cases, and the Qualification of Jurors in the County of *Gasp  *."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend certain articles therein mentioned of the Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to amend certain articles of the Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to protect the Manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*,) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act 27th *Victoria*, Chapter 9, respecting the sale of Lands by Municipalities; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Molleur* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Molleur* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be reprinted for the use of the Members of this House.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the interdiction of Habitual Drunkards; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Garon* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Garon* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to annex a part of the Township of *Tingwick*, to the Township of *Wotton*, for representation purposes, being read;

Mr. *Picard* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bessette*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Hemming* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Ross*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And a debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till To-morrow.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented:—Return to an Address of the Legislative Assembly, dated 16th December, 1869,—For a statement of the Coroner's Inquests in the Province of *Quebec*, since the inauguration of Confederation. Such statement showing the number of inquests held by the Coroners, the cause of death, the name of the physicians whose services were required by the Coroner, and the Juries in

each case of inquest, the number of *post mortem* examinations made by the physician or physicians called in these inquests, and the reports made by the Coroner's Jury on each inquest. (Sessional papers, No. 15.)

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment;

Bill, intituled: "An Act for establishing a general system of Police in this Province."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called The Society *St. Jean-Baptiste* of *St. Romuald de Farnham*."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain Notarial Acts," with several amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain Notarial Acts," and the same were read, as follow:

Clause 1, Page 1, strike out the nine last words of the 6th line, and all the words of the 7th and 8th lines.

In the same clause, line 11, after the words "second Notary," add the words "and the witnesses to the execution of the instrument therein mentioned."

Clause 2, line 18, after the word "Notary" add the words "or of the witnesses to the execution of such act."

Ordered, That the said amendments be read a second time, To-morrow. And then the House adjourned, till To-morrow.

Friday, 21st January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,—The Petition of *Etiénne T. Parent* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Etienne de Lauzon* and *St. Nicolas*; and the Petition of *Amable Guay* and others, of the Parish of *St. Joseph de Lévis*, both of the County of *Lévis*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of the Reverend *W. Taylor* and others, the Elders of *Erskine* church, *Montreal*; and the Petition of the Reverend *Henry Wilkes* and others, of *Zion* church, *Montreal*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *W. L. Oliver* and others, of the Township of *Barnston*, County of *Stanstead*,—Of the Reverend *F. Michon* and others, of the Parish of *Ste. Anne de Stukley*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of *Marcel Hébert* and others, of the Parish of *St. Magloire*, County of *Bellechasse*; praying for aid to complete a Grist Mill.

Ordered, That Mr. *Genest* have leave to bring in a Bill, further to amend chapter twenty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Masters and Servants in the Country parts.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Act of the Legislature of this Province, thirty-second *Victoria*, Chapter sixty-nine, relating to the Dental Association in this Province.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

A Bill respecting Tariffs of Fees for certain Judicial officers, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act respecting Tariffs of Fees of certain Officers of Justice."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to authorise a loan to the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike, Roads, for the purpose of repairing *Dorchester* Bridge, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill respecting the Issuing of Licenses, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported, from the Committee of Ways and Means, two Resolutions, which were read, as follow :

1. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the current financial year, the sum of three hundred and twenty-seven thousand six hundred and forty-five dollars and twenty-four cents, be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

2. *Resolved*, That, towards making good the Supply granted to Her Majesty for the financial year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, the sum of one million eight hundred and ninety-one thousand one hundred and seventy-one dollars and forty-six cents, be granted out of the Consolidated Revenue Fund of this Province.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in a Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the current financial year, and for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes connected with the public service.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to dispense with the use of Parchment for Public Documents, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to continue for a limited time certain Acts therein mentioned, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and referred to the Standing Committee on Expiring Laws.

A Bill to provide for the interdiction of Habitual Drunkards was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to provide for the interdiction and the cure of Habitual Drunkards."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*) reported the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to protect the Manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province," and the amendments were read, as follow:

Page 1, line 8, leave out the words "whoever may" and insert the word "shall."

Page 1, line 25, after the word "every," insert the words, "prosecution for any."

Page 1, line 25, leave out the word "tried" and insert the words "brought within three months of the commission of the offence."

The said amendments, being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill, with the amendments, be read the third time, on Monday next

The House, according to order, resumed the adjourned Debate upon the amendment, which was yesterday proposed to be made to the Question, That the Bill to annex a part of the Township of *Tingwick*, to the Township of *Wotton*, for representation purposes, be now read a second time; and which amendment was, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And a further Debate arising thereupon,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till Monday next.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Thirteenth Report of the said Committee which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of the Union *St. Pierre* of *Montreal*," and beg to report the same, without amendment.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill further to amend the law respecting Education in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and

Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal Section sixteen, of thirty-two *Victoria*, Chapter seventy, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons, or other house or place of public entertainment, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Warehousing Company; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to empower the *Rockland* Slate Company to raise additional Capital; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Benoit* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Caledonian Society of *Montreal*," being read;

The amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*," being read;

The amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to erect the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset*, and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into local Municipalities, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for Monday next.

Ordered, That Mr. *Ogilvie* have leave of absence for eight days, in consequence of urgent business.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Resolved, That, on and from Monday next, during the remainder of the Session, Government measures do take precedence over all other measures, at each sitting of the House.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 24th January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Gélinas*,—The Petition of *Maxime St. Godard* and others.

By Mr. *Coutlée*,—The Petition of the Reverend *F. Cholet* and others, of the County of *Soulanges*.

By Mr. *Carter*,—The Petition of *H. L. Parsons* and others, on behalf of the Society of Friends, *Montreal*; the Petition of the *Howard Division*, No. 1, Sons of Temperance, of the Province of *Quebec*; the Petition of the *Montreal Temperance Society*; and the Petition of the Reverend *W. Taylor* and others, of the City of *Montreal*.

By Mr. *Ross*,—The Petition of *Alexander Fauteux* and others, of the Townships of *Clifton* and *Auckland*.

By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Petition of *J. A. Hervieux* and others.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of the Reverend *J. H. Graham* and others, the Principal and Trustees of *St. Francis College, Richmond*; praying for aid.

Of *C. Abbott* and others, of the Township of *Magog*, County of *Stanstead*,—Of *Etienne T. Parent* and others, of the Parishes of *St. Etienne de Lauzon* and *St. Nicolas*,—And of *Amable Guay* and others, of *St. Joseph de Lévis*; severally praying aid for Roads.

Of the Reverend *W. Taylor* and others, the Elders of *Erskine Church, Montreal*,—And of the Reverend *Henry Wilkes* and others, of *Zion Church, Montreal*; severally praying that Section 16, of 32 *Victoria*, chapter 70, respecting the closing of Taverns, &c., be not repealed.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House, the Fourteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the following Bills, and beg to report the same, with certain amendments, which they respectfully recommend to the consideration of Your Honorable House:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the College of Pharmacy of the Province of *Quebec*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to repeal, in part, Chapter 72, of the 32nd *Victoria*."

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Select Committee, on the Bill, intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*," presented to the House, the Third Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

The Committee have the honor to report to Your Honorable House:

That, at the last meeting of Your Committee, the Sub-Committee, appointed by Your Committee to take into consideration the Municipal Code, introduced before Your Honorable House by the Honorable the Attorney-General, did make their Report to Your Committee of the result of their labors.

That Your Committee approve of the said Report, hereunto annexed, marked "A," and the draft of codification as prepared by the Sub-Committee, and submit both to the consideration of Your Honorable House, together with the following Resolutions, that should they be approved of by Your Honorable House, they do form part of the Code:

Resolved, That the following article be added to the Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*, after article 707:—

707a. The capital of all moneys invested in bank or Dominion stock, secured by mortgage, or otherwise placed as a loan invested in capital stock, yielding an annual revenue, is also taxable property.

Resolved, That after article 719 of the said Code, the following article be inserted, as resulting from article 707a:—

719a. The proprietors or administrators of the taxable property, mentioned in article 707a., must furnish to the assessors, on the demand of one of them, a sworn statement in writing of such property.

In the absence of such statement, or if the correctness of that furnished be doubted, the assessors themselves shall make the valuation of such property.

Resolved, That the provisions of the other articles of the Code, affected by the two foregoing articles, as adopted, be adapted to the said two articles.

A.

The Sub-Committee have the honor to report to Your Committee, That they have taken into consideration the Municipal Code introduced by the Honorable the Attorney-General:

That they have had fifty-three sittings.

That they have examined *A. T. Marsan*, Esquire, Advocate, Chief Clerk in the Office of the Attorney-General, and specially entrusted by the latter to prepare the draft of the Code, and to make such amendments thereto as might be deemed expedient.

That Your Committee did also consider the suggestions made to it by the Honorable *James Ferrier* and Mr. *H. W. Heneker*, as well as those of the various Municipal Councils, and of many persons who took an interest in this important measure.

That with the view of placing Your Committee in a position to Report to the Honorable the Legislative Assembly during this Session of Parliament, Your Sub-Committee continued its labours after the adjournment of the House on the 23rd December last, sitting from the 24th to the 29th December inclusively, and on the 7th January resuming its labours, which it has continued to the present day without interruption:

That, having for object to avoid the cost of printing which would have been very great, Your Sub-Committee, unanimously decided to take into consideration the French version only of the Code; and it is this version which it now submits to you for your approbation:

That Your Sub-Committee paid strict attention to the instructions of Your Committee relative to the making and keeping in order Front and Bye-roads (routes) and Bridges, but believed it to be their duty to assimilate the provisions of the Act on Agriculture, to those which relate to Municipal matters, and to incorporate the same, saving certain matters which may fairly form the object of particular Legislation later on.

Your Sub-Committee believe it right to say that it brought to the consideration of this important law the greatest possible attention; and only adopted, after much labour and discussion, and a thorough examination of the subject-matter of the Code, the law which it now submits to you.

Your Committee would also remark that, on the suggestion of Mr. *Gendron*, it was unanimously agreed that a reasonable indemnity be accorded to Mr. *Marsan* for his labour and trouble; Your Sub-Committee believing that the Salary of this gentleman is out of proportion with his labours in this matter,—and lastly Your Sub-Committee submit with confidence, the result of its labours.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Mr. *Marchand* reported, from the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies' Incorporation Act, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Bill, as amended, be reprinted for the use of the Members of this House.

A Bill further to amend the law respecting Education in this Province, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill for the more advantageous disposal of property in the hands of Administrators; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Désaulniers* (*St. Maurice*,) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Désaulniers* (*St. Maurice*) reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to dispense with the use of Parchment for Public Documents; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hamilton* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to permit the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench to be fixed by Proclamation, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, for the current financial year, and for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes connected with the public service, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Brigham* and Mr. *Poupore*, be added to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the administration of Justice in the County of *Saguenay*.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine* have leave to bring in a Bill to confirm the Survey of the Division line between the Townships of *Grantham* and *Upton*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

A Bill to amend the Act respecting Vehicles for Winter Roads, was according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend the Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled : "An Act to protect the Manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province," was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors, That this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

A Bill to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Warehousing Company, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to empower the *Rockland* Slate Company to raise additional Capital, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resumed the adjourned Debate upon the amendment, which was, on Tuesday, the 18th instant, proposed to be

made to the Question, That the Bill to relieve the Union *St. Joseph* of *Montreal*, be now read a second time; and which amendment was, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months," added at the end thereof.

And a further Debate arising thereupon. the said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the Question being put,

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The House, according order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to erect the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset*, and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into local Municipalities; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to relieve the Union *St. Jacques* of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill respecting the Minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, Notary, of the City of *Montreal*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of the Union *St. Pierre* of *Montreal*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for To-morrow.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House—Annual Report of the *Union St. Joseph de Sorel*, for the year, 1869. (Sessional papers, No. 5.)

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting "the Notarial Profession," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*.

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the acts respecting the Notarial Profession, be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time, and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Tuesday, 25th January, 1870.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Pozzer*,—The Petition of *Joseph Denys* and others, of the Parish of *St. Francois*, County of *Beauce*.

By Mr. *Verreault*,—The Petition of the Reverend *J. Langlois* and others, of *Ashford* and other Townships.

Mr. *Chapleau*, from the Standing Committee on Railways, Canals, Telegraph Lines, and Mining and Manufacturing Corporations, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg to report to Your Honorable House the Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*," without amendment.

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, from the Standing Committee on expiring laws, presented to the House, the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have the honor to report to Your Honorable House, that they have examined the Bill, intituled : "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned," and recommend the adoption of the same, as amended.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Fifteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill to amend the Acts and Ordinances relating to the City of *Quebec*, and the Water-works of the said City ; and also, the Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* ; and beg to report the same, with certain amendments to each, which they humbly submit for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Your Committee, in reporting these two Bills, have the honor to submit them in consolidated form, as one Bill, with the same preamble, in order that they may be taken into consideration by Your Honorable House as one and the same Bill under the number 10, and with the following title :

"An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*."

Your Committee beg to recommend to Your Honorable House, that the delay for receiving reports on Private Bills, which expires to-day, be further extended to the twenty-seventh instant inclusively, as there is still a Bill under their consideration.

Ordered, That the time for receiving Reports on Private Bills be extended to Thursday, the 27th instant, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. *Carter*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Langevin*,
Resolved, That this House doth concur in that part of the Fifteenth Report of the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, which

relates to the consolidated Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the provisions of the several acts relating to the incorporation of the City of Quebec."

Ordered, That the said consolidated Bill be reprinted before its second reading, for the use of the members of this House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Verreault* be added to the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the administration of Justice in the County of *Saguenay*.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Robertson* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the law respecting Stamps on Law proceedings and registrations.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Carter* have leave to bring in a Bill to extend the provisions of the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the 29th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to secure to Wives and Children, the benefit of assurances on the lives of their husbands and parents, and of the Act of this Province amending the same.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*.

Resolved, That there be two distinct sittings of the House, on every day during the remainder of the Session; the first sitting to be from three o'clock P. M. to six o'clock P. M., and the second from half-past seven o'clock P. M., until the adjournment of the House.

A Bill for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government, for the current financial year, and for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to permit the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench to be fixed by Proclamation; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Chapleau* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Chapleau* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to uphold the authority and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec* Legislature, and the independence of the Members thereof, and to protect persons publishing Parliamentary papers, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time;

And a Debate arising thereupon;

And it being Six of the clock P. M., Mr. Speaker left the Chair.

At half-past Seven o'clock P. M., pursuant to the 19th Rule of this House, the orders respecting Private Bills were called.

A Bill to erect the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset*, and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into local Municipalities, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be "An Act to divide the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset*, and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into three Municipalities.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to relieve the Union *St. Joseph* of *Montreal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Tremblay* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Tremblay* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Mr. *Lavallée* moved, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Carter* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ross*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months," added at the end thereof.

And the question being put on the amendment, the House divided; and it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to relieve the Union *St. Jacques* of *Montreal*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bellerose* reported, That

the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Bellerose* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Mr. *Lavallée* moved, seconded by Mr. *Moll*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a third time ;

Mr. *Carter* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Ross*, That the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months added at the end thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided; and it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put ;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: " An Act to incorporate the Society of the Union *St. Pierre* of *Montreal* ; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

And the Debate on the Question, which was this day proposed, That the Bill to uphold the authority and and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec* Legislature, and the independence of the Members thereof, and to protect persons publishing Parliamentary papers be now read a second time, having been resumed ;

And the Question being put ; it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its first sitting, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting the Storage of Gunpowder in and near the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill, intituled: "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec*;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the first sitting of the House, To-morrow.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill, from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its first sitting, To-morrow.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock, on Wednesday morning;

Wednesday, 26th January, 1870.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to repeal, in part, Chapter seventy-two, of the thirty-second *Victoria*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its first sitting, To-morrow.

And then the House adjourned till To-morrow.

Wednesday, 26th January, 1870.

Three o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Genest*,—The Petition of *Edward Burstall* and others.

By Mr. *Pelletier*,—The Petition of the Reverend *George Beaulieu* and others, of the Township of *Armagh*.

By Mr. *Verreault*,—The Petition of the Board of Notaries, for the District of *Quebec*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Maxime St. Godard* and others; praying for amendments to the Game laws.

Of the Reverend *F. Cholet* and others, of the County of *Soulanges*; praying for amendments to the Act respecting Vehicles used upon Winter Roads.

Of *J. A. Hervieux* and others; praying for amendments to the Act respecting the Notarial profession.

Of *H. L. Parsons* and others, on behalf of the Society of Friends, *Montreal*,—of the *Howard Division*, No. 1, Sons of Temperance, of the Province of *Quebec*,—of the Temperance Society,—and of the Rev. *W. Taylor* and others, all of the City of *Montreal*; severally praying that section 16, of 32 *Victoria*, Chapter 70, respecting the closing of taverns, &c., be not repealed.

Of *Alexandre Fauteux* and others, of the Townships of *Clifton* and *Auckland*; praying aid for a Road.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the sixteenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee have examined the Bill to annex a portion of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* South to *St. Roch* North, and beg to report the same, with certain amendments, for the consideration of Your Honorable House.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in a Bill to change the limits of the Counties of *Terrebonne* and *Montcalm* for all civil and political purposes whatsoever.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Genest* have leave to bring in a Bill to amend the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

Ordered, That Mr. *Chapleau* have leave to bring in a Bill to detach the Township of *Doncaster* from the County of *Montcalm*, and to annex the same to the County of *Terrebonne* for electoral purposes.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to uphold the authority and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec* Legislature and the independence of the Members thereof, and to protect persons publishing Parliamentary papers; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozzer* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Pozzer* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to continue for a limited time certain Acts therein mentioned; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coutlée* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled; "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession"; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And it being Six of the clock in the afternoon, the house was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

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Half-past Seven o'clock, P. M.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Moll*,—The Petition of *J. O. Laurendeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel de Brandon*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Joseph Denys* and others, of the Parish of *St. Francois*, County of *Beauce*; praying for a resident Judge in the District of *Beauce*.

Of the Reverend *J. Langlois* and others, of *Ashford* and other Townships; praying aid for Roads.

Ordered, That the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* have leave to bring in a Bill to provide for the remuneration of the Fire Commissioner for the City of *Quebec*.

He accordingly presented the said Bill to the House, and the same was received and read for the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, To-morrow.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to repeal in part Chapter 72, of the 32nd *Victoria*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to amend the Act of the 32 *Victoria*, cap. 72, respecting the Cemetery of *Notre-Dame des Neiges*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That the House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*), reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, that the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the provisions of the several acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, being read;

Mr. *Joly* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read a second time.

And a Debate arising thereupon.

Mr. *Chapleau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Bellerose*, and the Question being proposed, That a reasonable time having been allowed for the discussion of Private Bills, the other orders of the Day be now proceeded with.

The said motion was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

And the House having continued to sit till after Twelve of the clock on Thursday morning;

Thursday, 27th January, 1870.

Mr. Speaker, under the provisions of Chapter 4 of the Statutes of the Province of *Quebec*, called upon the Honorable *Joseph Cauchon*, member for the Electoral District of *Montmorency*, to take the Chair during his temporary absence.

The Honorable Mr. *Cauchon* accordingly took the Chair of the House. After sometime Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair.

And the Question being put, That the Bill to amend the provisions of the several acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, be now read a second time;

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill for the more advantageous disposal of property in the hands of Administrators, being read;

The Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time.

Mr. *Marchand* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Joly*, That all the words after "now," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "recommitted to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to substitute for the first clause of the said Bill the following clause: "The word Administrator used in this Act means and includes every Testamentary Executor or Judiciary Legatee, and every person charged under any deed or instrument whatsoever with duties purely administrative," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment, the House divided; and it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put; it was resolved in the affirmative. The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

A Bill to uphold the authority and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec* Legislature, and the independence of the Members thereof, and to protect persons publishing Parliamentary papers, was, according to order, read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the third reading of the Bill to amend the Act 27th *Victoria*, cap. 9, respecting the sale of lands by municipalities, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be recommitted to a Committee of the whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coullée* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Coullée* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies' Incorporation Act; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled : " An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : " An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And then the House having continued to sit till half-past One of the clock on Thursday morning, adjourned till this day.

Thursday, 27th January, 1870.

Three o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the Affairs of the *St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum, Montreal*, for the year 1869. (Sessional papers, No. 5.)

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, delivered to Mr. Speaker a Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, signed by His Excellency.

And the said Message was read by Mr. Speaker, all the Members of House being uncovered, and is as followeth :

N. F. BELLEAU.

The Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of *Quebec*, transmits to the Legislative Assembly a supplement to the First Report of the Civil Service Commission, giving a statement shewing the approximate annual expenditure on Public Departmental Buildings for rents and repairs. (Sessional papers, No. 12.)

Government House,
Quebec, 27th January, 1870.

Ordered, That the said Message, together with the accompanying Report, be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the printing of the Legislature.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

By Mr. *Molleur*,—The Petition of *Frs. Béchard* and others, of the County of *Iberville*.

By the Honorable Mr. *Dunkin*,—The Petition of the Municipality of the Township of *Stukeley*.

By Mr. *Bellingham*,—The Petition of *Thos. S. Higginson*, and others, of the Township of *Grenville*, County of *Argenteuil*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *Edward Burstall* and others ; praying for an increase of the penalty for desertion from the employment of lumbermen.

Of the Reverend *George Beaulieu* and others, of the Township of *Armagh* ; praying aid for a Road.

Of the Board of Notaries for the District of *Quebec* ; praying for amendments to the Act respecting the Notarial Profession.

Mr. *Bellerose*, from the Standing Committee on Public Accounts, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to report to Your Honorable House ;

That, at their last meeting, the Sub-Committee appointed by Your Committee to examine into the books, documents, vouchers, &c., of the Treasury Department, reported to Your Committee the result of their inquiry.

That Your Committee approved of and adopted said report.

Your Committee would therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the report of the Sub-Committee, hereunto annexed and marked "A," be adopted.

A.

REPORT of the Sub-Committee on Public Accounts.

Your Sub-Committee beg leave to report :

That they have visited the Treasury Department and examined the books of said Department, the manner of entering the various appropriations made by the Legislature, and the expenditure made under such authority.

They have also examined the mode of checking the receipt of monies, and of payment by the Department for the various branches of the Public Service, the vouchers filed, and generally the system introduced under the law. Your Sub-Committee have much pleasure in stating that they find the books, documents, vouchers, &c., kept in excellent order, and the system of auditing accounts and checking the whole business of the Department, in first rate order.

The whole system being carried on in accordance with the law in that behalf, is approved of and its continuance recommended.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill, intituled : "The Municipal Code of the Province of *Quebec* ; " and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the first sitting of the House, To-morrow.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by Mr. *Joly*,

Resolved, That this House desires to express its appreciation of the arduous and unremitting labors of the Sub-Committee, appointed by the Select Committee, to which was referred the Municipal Code, and to thank them for having devoted the whole period of the adjournment to the conscientious examination of this important measure.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession ;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair ; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had made some progress, and directed him to move for leave to sit again.

Ordered, That the Committee have leave to sit again, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : "An Act to facilitate the taking of evidence in Civil Cases."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to authorize a loan to the Trustees of the *Quebec Turnpike Roads*, for the purpose of repairing *Dorchester Bridge*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act respecting the Tariffs of Fees of certain officers of Justice.

Also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the Bill, intituled : "An Act to protect the manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province," without any amendment.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the *Club Montarville de Longueuil*," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. *Jodoin*, seconded by Mr. *Thérien*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : "An Act to incorporate the "*Club Montarville de Longueuil*," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and referred to the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills.

And it being six of the Clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table :

• By Mr. *Chapleau*,—The Pétition of the Reverend *F. X. Laberge* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte* County of *Terrebonne*.

By Mr. *Marchand*,—The Petition of *L. Pamphile Lemay* and others.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petition was read :

Of *J. O. Laurendeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Gabriel de Brandon* ; praying aid for a Bridge over the River *Maskinongé*.

Ordered, That the Petition of *L. Pamphile Lemay* and others, presented this day, be now received and read.

And the said Petition was received and read ; praying for leave to publish the Parliamentary Debates under the control of the Legislature, and the same was referred to the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Ordered, That the Return to an Address, dated the 16th December, 1869, for a statement of the Coroners' Inquests in the Province of *Quebec*, since the inauguration of Confederation, &c., &c., be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the printing of the Legislature.

Mr. Marchand, from the Select Committee appointed to enquire into the advisability and the best means of establishing in this Province, Deposit Offices or Establishments for the reception of deposits required by law and judicial authority, stipulated by agreement or rendered necessary between individuals by special circumstances, presented to the House the Second Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee having inquired into the advisability and best means of establishing in this Province, Deposit Offices or Establishments for the reception of the deposits required by law and judicial authority, stipulated by agreement or rendered necessary between individuals by special circumstances, beg leave to report, as the result of their labors, the draft of a law, intituled : " An Act respecting Deposits."

Your Committee would further recommend that the establishment of such Deposit Offices, with the guarantee of the Government, would be a benefit to the community in general.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the provisions of the several acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec* ;

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the clock on Friday morning ;

Friday, 28th January, 1870.

And after some time spent therein, *Mr. Speaker* resumed the Chair ; and *Mr. Bachand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House, this day, and that it be then the first Order of the Day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to facilitate re-entry upon abandoned lands in certain cases, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province, being read ;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time ; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the law respecting Stamps on law proceedings and registrations, being read; The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to provide for the remuneration of the Fire Commissioner for the City of *Quebec*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Joint Stock Companies' Incorporation Act; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinongé)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinongé)* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "The Cemetery Companies' Incorporation Act of 1870."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council. and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to repeal Section 16, of 32 *Victoria*, chapter 70, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons, or other house or place of public entertainment; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Ross* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House. this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill further to amend chapter twenty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Masters and Servants in the Country parts, being read:

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Act of the Legislature of this Province, thirty-second *Victoria*, chapter sixty-nine, relating to the Dental Association in this Province, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to extend the provisions of the Act of the late province of *Canada*, passed in the 29th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents, and of the Act of this Province amending the same, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, then acquainted the House, that His Excellency having being informed of the subject matter of this Bill, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its next sitting, this day.

And then the House having continued to sit till three quarters of an hour after One of the clock on Friday morning, adjourned till this day.

Friday, 28th January, 1870.

Three o'clock, P. M.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read:

Of *Frs. Béchard* and others, of the County of *Iberville*; praying for amendments to the Act respecting the Notarial Profession.

Of the Municipality of the Township of *Stukeley*,—of *Thos. S. Higginson* and others, of the Township of *Grenville*, County of *Argenteuil*,—and of the Reverend *F. X. Laberge* and others, of the Parish of *St. Hippolyte*, County of *Terrebonne*; severally praying aid for Roads.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, being read;

Mr. *Joly* moved, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*, and the Question being proposed, that the Report be now received;

Mr. *Chapleau* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Lavallée*, That all the words after "now," to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words: "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with an instruction to amend the 5th Sub-Section of the 1st Section, by striking out all the words after "until," in the 36th line, and substituting therefor the words "the expiration of his term of office, unless he shall have previously resigned his seat; or, that it has become vacant from any other cause; and the Council shall then proceed to the election of a new Mayor according to the provisions of this Act," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>Hearn,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> |
| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>kinongé,)</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Rhémaume,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Robert and</i> |
| <i>Coullée,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Verreault.—23.</i> |
| <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | | | |

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Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Clément</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Pozzer,</i> |
| <i>Bellingham,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-Har-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>wood,</i> | <i>Irvine, [Sol.-Gen.]</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Thérien and</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—30.</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Chapleau* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Lavallée*, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words: "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the whole House, with an "instruction to amend the same by leaving out the 1st Section," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and it passed in the Negative.

And the the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Chapleau* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Lavallée*, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question, be left out, and the words "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House," with instructions to amend the same, as follows:

Page 2, line 17, after the words "or more" insert the words "or occupant " of premises of the annual assessed rent of \$80," inserted instead thereof:

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down as follow:

YEAS :

Messieurs

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| <i>Bergevin,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Rhémaume, and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Hearn,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Robert.—9.</i> |
| <i>Coullée,</i> | | | |

NAYS:

Messieurs,

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Bellingham</i> | <i>Desaulniers, [St.</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Maurice,]</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Puzer,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Laberge,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Roy</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Thérien,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Tremblay and</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Mathieu,</i> | <i>Verreault.—43.</i> |
| <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Chapleau* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Lavallée*, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words: "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same, as follows:"

Page 2, line 22,—After the words "twenty-five dollars" insert the words, "or occupant of premises of the annual assessed rent of \$40" inserted instead thereof.

And a debate arising thereupon,

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned till the next sitting of the House, this day, and that it be then the first Order of the Day.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

Resolved, That when the House adjourns at its next sitting, this day, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow, at Two o'clock, P. M.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Montcalm*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called "The Union of *St. Joseph* of *St. Paul* of *Aylmer*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the duties of certain judicial offices in cases of vacancy."

Bill, intituled: "An Act respecting the Issuing of Licenses."

Also, the Legislative Council have passed the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called the Irish Catholic Benefit Society of

Montreal," with an amendment, to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and "Public Works," to which they desire the concurrence of this House.

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time; and ordered to be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society called The Irish Catholic Benefit Society of *Montreal*," and the same was read, as followeth:

Page 3, line 4, Section 7, leave out the words "both Houses of."

Ordered, That the said amendment be read a second time, at the next sitting of the House, this day.

And it being Six of the clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P. M.

The House resumed the adjourned debate upon the amendment, which was this day proposed to be made to the Question, That the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, be now received; and which amendment was, That all the words after "the" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words: "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same, as follows:

Page 2, line 22, After the words "twenty-five dollars" insert the words "or occupant of premises of the annual assessed rent of \$40," inserted instead thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS:

Messieurs

Bergevin,
Chapleau,
Coullée,
Aron,

Gaudet,
Hearn,
LaRue,

Lavallée,
Marchand,
Pelletier,

Rhéaume.
Robert and
Thérien.—13.

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Church,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Pozer,</i> |
| <i>Beilingham,</i> | <i>Deslauniers (Mas-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>kinongé)</i> | <i>Irvine (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Ross,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Dugas,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Roy,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Dunkin,</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Trenblay, and</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Verreault.—34.</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Gélinas,</i> | <i>Moll,</i> | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received;

Mr. *Chapleau* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Hearn*, That all the words after "The" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same by leaving out the words " 'Twenty-five dollars' " in the 33rd line of the 5th sub-section of Section 2, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "'Ten'" inserted instead thereof.

And objection being taken, that the said amendment is not in order, inasmuch as notice of the same has not been given according to the 68th Rule of this House,

Mr. Speaker decided that the said amendment is not in order.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received,

Mr. *Hearn* moved in amendment, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Cauchon*, That all the words after "The" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same, by leaving out the 43rd clause, and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

" 'The Corporation of the City of *Quebec* is hereby authorized to take stock in the *Quebec* and *Gosford* Railway Company to the amount of \$10,000, and to issue Debentures to an amount sufficient to meet the payment thereof, the said Debentures to be redeemable in twenty years from the date thereof, and not to bear interest above 7 per cent., ' " inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, as amended, being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to amend the same, by leaving out the 43rd clause, and substituting the following in lieu thereof:

The Corporation of the City of *Quebec* is hereby authorized to take stock in the *Quebec* and *Gosford* Railway Company to the amount of \$10,000, and to issue Debentures to an amount sufficient to meet the payment thereof, the said Debentures to be redeemable in twenty years from the date thereof, and not to bear interest above 7 per cent.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pozzer* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Pozzer* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. *Joly*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor-General *Irvine*,

Ordered, That the said Bill be again re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Marchand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Marchand* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be read the third time, at the first sitting of the House, to-morrow.

The House, according to order, again resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession;"

And the House having continued to sit in Committee till after Twelve of the clock on Saturday morning.

Saturday, 29th January, 1870.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bessette* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House, this day.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to facilitate re-entry upon abandoned lands in certain cases; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Coutlée* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Coutlée* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Genest* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to provide for the remuneration of the Fire Commissioner for the City of *Quebec*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads;" and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the next sitting of the House, this day,

And the House having continued to sit till Two of the clock on Saturday morning, adjourned till Two o'clock, P. M., this day.

Saturday, 29th January, 1870.

Two o'clock, P. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Pozer*,—The Petition of *John O'Farrell*, of the City of *Quebec*, Advocate.

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Reverend *A. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *L'Anse St. Jean*.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cap des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities ;"

Bill, intituled : " An Act to permit the Terms of the Court of Queen's Bench to be fixed by proclamation."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed a Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act," to which they desire the concurrence of this House ;

And then he withdrew.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*,

Ordered, That the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : " An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act," be now read the first time.

The Bill was accordingly read the first time ; and ordered to be read a second time, at the first sitting of the House, on Monday next.

Mr. *Carter*, from the Standing Committee on Miscellaneous Private Bills, presented to the House the Seventeenth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee have examined the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *Club Montarville de Longueuil*," and beg to report the same, without any amendment.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the said Report.

Mr. *Bellerose*, from the Standing Committee on Contingencies, presented to the House the Fifth Report of the said Committee, which was read, as followeth :

Your Committee beg leave to submit, for the consideration of Your Honorable House, the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That the sum of (\$800,) eight hundred dollars, be given to Mr. *C. Beausoleil*, to be, by him, distributed to the signers of the Petition for a Bonus to Reporters, and to Mr. *T. J. Oliver*.

Resolved, That, inasmuch as certain Employees of the House have petitioned the Committee on Contingencies for indemnity for time spent, after their appointment to office, previous to the opening of the first Session of the House, that the sum of (\$1,000,) one thousand dollars be granted by the House, and that the same be placed in the Speaker's hands, to be, by him, paid to the Employees of the House who have not already been paid such indemnity—in such proportions as the said Speaker may, after investigation into the merits of each case, respectively decide, and that the Resolution passed in this Committee be rescinded : and that hereafter no further claim of this nature shall be entertained by this Committee.

Resolved, That lodgings be given to the Sergeant-at-Arms and Chief Messenger, or a sum not exceeding what they now pay for rent be granted to them in lieu thereof.

Resolved, That the Petition of *L. M. Lapointe* and others, complaining of the conduct of certain Employees of Your Honorable House, and praying

that certain sums of money due them by these employees be reimbursed to them, cannot be entertained by this Committee.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be empowered to purchase the following Books :

1. Dictionnaire de Medecine.
2. *Blackstone's Commentaries*, in French.
3. *Mayne's Expository Lexicon*.
4. French Idioms.
5. Manuel de Géologie.
6. Dictionnaire de Marine.
7. Maladies Mentales.
8. Dictionnaire de Jurisprudence.
9. Vocabulaire des termes de Marine.
10. Grammaire Nationale de *Bescherelle*.
11. Dictionnaire des Verbes.
12. Traité des Participes.
13. Civil Code and Index.
14. Code of Civil Procedure and Index.
15. *London Edition*, French translation, of May.
16. *Spiers and Surenné's* (quarto) Dictionary, unabridged.

Resolved, That seventy-five dollars be paid to the Law Clerk for a complete set of the Statutes of *Canada*, published previous to the publication of the Consolidated Statutes, comprising thirty volumes, and actually used by him in his office.

The Order of the Day, for the third reading of the Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the Incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, being read ;

Mr. *Joly* moved, seconded by Mr. *Genest*, and the Question being proposed, That the Bill be now read the third time,

And objection being taken, That the said Motion is not in order, Mr. Speaker decided that it is in order.

And the Question being put, That the Bill be now read the third time ; the House divided : and it was resolved in the Affirmative.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. Speaker communicated to the House the following letter :

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Quebec, 29th January, 1870.

MR. SPEAKER,

I have the honor to inform you that it is the intention of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, if the state of affairs permit, to prorogue the

Legislature of this Province, on Tuesday, the 1st February next, at Two o'clock, P. M.

I have the honor to be,

Mr. Speaker,

Your obedient servant,

ARTHUR TASCHERAU.

To the Honorable

The Speaker of the Legislative Assembly,
of the Province of *Quebec*.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled : "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession," being read ;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read, as follow :

Page 2, Section 7, line 3, After the word "of" strike out the word "June," and insert the word "August."

Page 2, Section 7, line 6, After the word "*Joliette*" strike out "*Saguenay*" and insert "*Chicoutimi*."

Page 2, Section 8, line 2, After the word "held" add "or by his deputy."

Page 6, Section 24, line 2, Strike out the words "to be paid," and add "which may be exacted."

Page 6, Section 24, line 7, After the word "tariff" add "by exacting more than is permitted."

Page 8, Section 27, line 2, After the word "bound" add "except for reasons which justify their refusal."

Page 8, Section 28, line 1, After the word "calling" strike out the words "and residence," and add "residence and identity."

Page 8, Section 28, line 3, After the word "by" strike out the words "two citizens," and add "one person"; after the word "possess" strike out the word "same."

Page 8, Section 28, line 4, After the word "qualities" strike out "as" "are." Same line, before the word "attesting" insert "an" and strike out the letters "es" at the end of the word "witnesses."

Page 9, Section 30, line 2, After the word "text" strike out "legibly and without abbreviations, blanks, gaps or spaces."

Page 9, Section 30, line 13, After the word "any" strike out the word

"printed," and after the word "form," in the same line, add the words "either written or printed."

Page 10, Section 35, line 6, strike out the word "simple."

Page 10, Section 37, line 7, After the word "district" add the words "or the prothonotary of the district," and at the end of the 8th line add, "on payment of his fees."

Pages 10 and 11, strike out Sections 38, 39, and 40..

Page 12, Section 45, line 5, After the word "who" strike out the rest of the clause, and add the following words: "has died since the twenty-fourth of February, 1868, or who shall die after the passing of this Act, or who has resigned, or who is desirous of retiring from practice, or who has left his judicial district, be with the consent of such Notary, or of his heirs or representatives, transferred to another Notary residing, or who shall reside in the same place, or not more than twelve miles therefrom, provided always, that it be in the same district."

Page 12, Section 48, Sub-section 1, line 2, After the words "that he" strike out the words "has not incurred," and insert the words "is not under."

Page 13, Section 48, strike out sub-section 3, and substitute the following therefor:

"3. To give to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor one of the securities mentioned in the third section of chapter nine of the Statutes of the Province of *Quebec*, thirty second *Victoria*, and such security shall be subject to the provisions of Sections four, five, six, seven and eight of the above cited Act.

"Such security shall be given by the Notary to whom such transfer has been made, as a pledge of his fidelity in the accomplishment of the duties and obligations imposed upon him by this Act in his quality of Notary to whom the transfer of the Minutes and repertories of another Notary has been made."

"And in the event of, or if by reason of any condemnation, the security given shall become insufficient the Notary who is bound to furnish it must renew the same."

Page 13, Section 49, line 2, After the word "residence" add the words "and who has not made a valid disposition of his Minutes and repertories;" third line, after the word "his" insert the word "said."

Page 15, strike out Section 53, and substitute the following therefor: "53. No practising Notary shall act as Prothonotary of any Superior Court or of the Court of Queen's Bench of the Province of *Quebec*, and no Notary shall practice as such while he is discharging the duties of Registrar or deputy-registrar of any county or division of a county; and no Notary shall be entitled to practice his profession in the offices of the Prothonotaries or Registrars, under the penalties hereinafter set forth in the fifty-fifth section."

Page 16, Section 54, line 1, After the word "as" strike out the words "Prothonotary or Clerk of any Superior Court or Court of Queen's Bench in the Province of *Quebec*, or as."—

Same section, line 4, After the word "County" insert the words "or division of a County."

Same section, line 9, after the word "as" strike out the word "clerk."

Same section, line 14, After the word "of" strike out the word "clerk."

Same section, line 16, after the word "Notary" strike out the rest of the section.

Page 17, section 57, line 8, after the word "forth" insert the words "unless he has otherwise validly disposed thereof."

Page 18, Section 60, line 4, after the words "proof of having" strike out the rest of the clause, and add the following: "received a liberal education which shall comprise a complete course of classical studies, namely: Latin elements, Syntax, method, versification, belles-lettres, rhetoric and philosophy, inclusively, or any other complete course of classical studies as taught in incorporated colleges, seminaries and universities, and unless he produces a certificate to that effect."

Page 22, section 71, line 5, after the word "board" add "under a penalty not exceeding fifty dollars."

Page 23, section 74, line 1, after the words "expiration of" strike out the word "two" and add the word "five." Same line, after the word "date" strike out "of the passing," and add, "of the coming into force."

Page 24, strike out section 77.

Page 24, section 79, line 5, after the word "there" strike out the rest of the clause.

Page 24, after section 79, insert the following:

"80. This Act shall come into force on the first day of March next."

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Mr. Verreault reported the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads," and the amendments were read, as follow:

In the French version of the said Bill:

Page 1, section 2, line 2, after the word "*locales*" strike out the words, "*le consentement des personnes obligées au chemin requis,*" and insert "*la proportion de deux tiers exigée.*"

In the Bill, page 3, section 13, line 10, after the words "in conformity" insert the words "in all respects."

Page 4, section 21, line 8, after the word "hypothecs" add "but in the case of any such hypothec the indemnity, if it exceed the sum of 80 dollars shall be deposited in the hands of the Prothonotary of the Superior Court, and the creditors in such case shall retain their recourse for the sum so deposited, which shall be distributed according to the order of the Court, or returned to the parties if no claim has been made within a delay of four months."

Page 5, section 23, line 5, after the word "provided" insert the words "or exempt such persons from any contribution in lieu of such obligation."

Page 6, Section 32, line 2, after the word "for" strike out the rest of

the section and add the following: "all arrears of rent of commutation of such maintenance, not exceeding three years of such arrears."

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Bachand*, seconded by Mr. *Laberge*, the Bill was amended by inserting the following words after section 23, "or may exempt such persons from all assessments, in the place and stead of such maintenance."

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendments, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same, with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the law respecting stamps on law proceedings and registrations; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Bill accordingly; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "an Act to amend the Stamps Regulation Act."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day, for the second reading of the Bill to confirm the Survey of the division line between the Townships of *Grantham* and *Upton*, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House, for its first sitting, on Monday next.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*) reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received at the first sitting of the House, on Monday next.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, seconded by Mr. *Roy*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before

this House;—Copies of all letters and correspondence and of all documents whatever that may have been written, transmitted, received, or exchanged between the Government and the North Shore and *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company since the formation thereof, respecting a grant of lands on the *St. Maurice* or elsewhere, or respecting any other assistance to the said Company; and further, copies of all letters or other documents respecting a grant of 1,500,000 acres of land for the construction of the *Piles Road*.

On motion of Mr. *Benoit*, seconded by Mr. *Genest*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House;—

1. The order in Council fixing the tariff rates for the publication of notices and advertisements in the *Quebec Official Gazette*;

2. A statement of the revenue derived from such publication, up to the first day of January instant, such statement to show separately the revenue derived from the notices of sales of lands for municipal taxes.

Ordered, That the said Addresses be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

On motion of Mr. *Bellerose*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*.

Resolved, That this House doth concur in the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Public Accounts.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill further to amend chapter twenty-seven; of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Masters and Servants in the country parts; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Desaulniers (Maskinongé)* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be received, at the first sitting of the House, on Monday next.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*,

Resolved, That on Monday next there be three distinct sittings of the House: the first to be from Eleven o'clock, A. M., to One o'clock, P. M.; the second from Three o'clock, P. M., to Six o'clock, P. M.; and the third from half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., until the adjournment.

And then the House adjourned till Monday next.

Monday, 31st January, 1870.

Eleven o'clock, A. M.

The following Petitions were severally brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Desaulniers (St. Maurice)*,—The Petition of the Reverend J. D. *Comeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Boniface*.

By Mr. Church,—The Petition of the Reverend R. Deléage and others, of *Maniwaki* and other Townships; and the Petition of *William Campbell* and others, of the Townships of *Northfield* and *Cameron*.

By Mr. Bellingham,—The Petition of *George Moncrieff* and others, of the Township of *Chatham*, County of *Argenteuil*.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of *John O'Farrell*, of the City of *Quebec*, Advocate; praying that the Bill to amend the Gold Mining Act do not become law, and that the petitioner be heard at the Bar of the House, personally or by Counsel, before the second reading of the said Bill.

Of the Reverend *A. Girard* and others, of the Parish of *L'Anse St. Jean*; praying aid for a Road.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to confirm the Survey of the division line between the Townships of *Grantham* and *Upton*; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Hemming* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass, and the title be, "An Act to determine the line of Division between the Townships of *Grantham* and *Upton*."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence,

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read, as follows;

Page 2, The following section is added as being the 6th :

"That nothing in this act contained shall be construed to convey to any person or any corporate body any right of property or mining right, which they do not now possess."

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill, with the amendment, do pass

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their honors that this House hath passed the same, with an amendment, to which they desire their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. *Laberge*, seconded by Mr. *Robert*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before this House;—A statement of all the sums annually expended on Normal Schools, from their institution up to the present time; also, showing the number of pupils who have each year received diplomas for academies, model and elementary schools; the number of pupils who have in each year abandoned their studies in these schools without obtaining diplomas; the number of pupils with diplomas from these schools who have taught in the Province; the time during which they have so taught, and the number of pupils who are now actually engaged in teaching.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

Mr. *Chapleau* moved, seconded by Mr. *Moll*, and the Question being proposed, That this House doth concur in the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies.

Mr. *Bellerose* moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. *Mailloux*, That all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words "the said Report be forthwith committed to a Committee of the Whole House" inserted instead thereof.

And a Debate arising thereupon;

Ordered, That the Debate be adjourned.

And it being One of the clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till Three o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Three o'clock, P.M.

The following Petition was brought up, and laid on the Table:

By Mr. *Tremblay*,—The Petition of the Reverend *Joseph Hudon* and others, of the Parishes of *Notre Dame de Laterrière* and *St. Dominique de Jonquière*

Mr. *Hamilton*, from the Select Committee appointed to inquire into the Administration of Justice in the County of *Saguenay*, presented to the House the Report of the same Committee, which was read, as followeth:

Your Committee beg leave to report that they have made diligent inquiry into the administration of Justice in the County of *Saguenay*, and have summoned before them certain witnesses whose testimony is hereunto annexed, marked "A."

That Your Committee, upon the testimony adduced in this enquiry, and after deliberation thereon, have come to the conclusion that the appointment of a District Magistrate in that County, whose jurisdiction would extend from *Seven Islands* as far East as *Point Esquimaux*, would be of very material benefit to the inhabitants in that part of the county, and supply a want very much felt.

(A.)

Examination of *John Holliday*, Esquire, respecting the administration of Justice in the Eastern part of the District of *Saguenay*, on the *Labrador Coast*:—

I have been engaged in business on the *Moisie* River and the River *St. John*—since 1859 on the *Moisie*, and 1869 on the *St. John*.

I have been put to great loss and inconvenience at different times, owing to the impossibility of finding any local tribunal before which I could bring an action, either civil or criminal, except the occasional visits of the Government schooner "*La Canadienne*." Previous to the Summer of 1869, the magistrate in charge of the Government schooner "*La Canadienne*," always acted in any case where a complaint was brought before him of assault or other criminal matters, as well as in cases of breach of the Fishery Law. But during the Summer of 1869, the magistrate in charge, Mr. *Lavoie*, I was informed, stated that he was instructed by the Department of Marine and Fisheries that, as he was in the receipt of a salary from the Federal Government, as a Fishery officer, they declined to consent to his acting in any case, except in a case of breach of the Fishery Law; and I am aware that he refused to act on the *Moisie* River in a case of assault and battery during the past Summer.

During the past Summer I had a boat stolen, that was under my charge, and I could find no magistrate or any other person before whom I could lodge a complaint, and was obliged to suffer the loss without being able to obtain any redress. I merely mention this case out of a number. I would suggest that the appointment of a Stipendiary Magistrate, whose jurisdiction should extend from "*Seven Islands*" to "*Esquimaux Point*," a distance of 120 miles, should be of material benefit to the merchants doing business on that part of the coast, and settlers living there, and give some security to property.

During the Summer months there are a great number of people who come from the South Shore, to the part of the *Labrador Coast* mentioned above, for the purpose of prosecuting the fishery business, besides the large number of workmen employed at the "*Moisie Iron Works*,"—generally 200 workmen and their families.

At *Esquimaux Point*, the population is estimated at about 900. They have a resident priest and teacher, but not a magistrate. I am not aware of any resident magistrate from *Seven Islands* to *Pointe-aux-Esquimaux*, except Mr. *Joseph Beaulieu*, who resides at the River *St. John* during a portion of the Summer, and who is employed by the Federal Government to take charge of the River *Moisie* as Fishery Overseer, and is therefore a magistrate *ex officio*.

During the past Summer several unlicensed traders came into the river and sold spirits to the Indians and Fishermen, a cause of a great deal of demoralization during that time, as well as on other parts of the Coast.

These notes or declarations being read to the witness, he declared that they contained the truth, and has signed.

(Signed,) JOHN HOLLIDAY.

Legislative Assembly,
24th January, 1870.

A True Copy,

CHS. P. LINDSAY,
C. C. C.

N. Lavoie, Esquire, Commander of the "*Canadienne*," doth depose as follows,—At the time of my appointment by the Federal Government, I received a commission from the Local Government, empowering me to act as a magistrate in the Districts of *Saguenay* and *Gaspé*. I may state that on my consulting the Dominion Government as to whether or not I should accept the latter office, I was informed that the Government had no objection to my doing so, provided that it did not interfere with the main object for which I was sent to the Gulf, that is to say, the protection of the Fisheries. On receiving this reply, I considered myself bound to ask for more particular instructions, and having received no answer, I did not feel authorized to act as district magistrate, except in very important cases. Had the Federal Government authorized me to act as a magistrate in civil cases, I could not have done justice to the parties interested, without prejudice to my duties as Commander of the "*Canadienne*." I am of opinion that the appointment of a district magistrate, having jurisdiction from *Seven Islands* to *Natasquan*, would be extremely desirable, and that it would materially contribute to the protection of the rights of the inhabitants of the locality, who are now without any means of obtaining redress.

The foregoing deposition having been read over to the witness, he persists therein, declaring the same to contain the truth, and hath signed,

(Signed,)

N. LAVOIE.

Legislative Assembly,

Quebec, 29th January, 1870.

A True Copy.

CHAS. P. LINDSAY,
C. C. C.

The Order of the Day for receiving the Report of the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works," being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Genest* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Genest* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read, as follow:

Page 2, strike out sections 6 and 7, and substitute the following therefor:

6. After the last word of Section 59, of the said Act, add the following words: "The Board of Agriculture may, nevertheless, exempt all or any Agricultural Societies from holding such exhibition or such competition, and may enjoin on such Societies whatever it may deem most calculated

to promote the interests of Agriculture in relation to the said exhibitions and competitions."

Page 2, Section 8 becomes section 7, and in the first line after the word "by" strike out the words: "striking out in the second line," and insert "inserting after." Same section, line 2, after the word "Treasurer" strike out "and by the addition to the said section of the following words: at its first meeting the said Board of Management shall elect a Secretary-Treasurer," and insert "the words."

Same Section, line 5, after the word "vote" strike out the rest of the section.

Section 9 becomes section 8.

Page 2, Strike out section 10.

Page 2. Section 11 becomes section 9.

Page 2. Section 12 becomes section 10.

Pages 2 and 3. Section 13 becomes section 11, and in line 8, after the words "fifteenth of" strike out the word "August" and insert "September."

Same section, line 9, after the word "allowed" insert "but it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Board of Agriculture to notify each Agricultural Society, by a registered letter addressed to the Secretary-Treasurer of such Society, that the grant of such Society for the year will not be allowed if the affidavit required by this section has not been transmitted before the fifteenth of September, as hereinbefore set forth."

Section 14 becomes section 12, and after the word "on," in the second line, strike out the words "the first of June," and insert the words "fifteenth day of September."

Section 15 becomes section 13.

Page 3, after section 13 insert the following section as the 14th:

"14. All suits or contestations respecting the execution of colonization or other public works, under the Act 32 *Vic.*, Chap. 15, or in relation to such works, shall be instituted and carried on by the Attorney-General in the name of Her Majesty."

Section 16 becomes section 15:

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill with the amendments do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath passed the same with several amendments, to which they desire their concurrence.

Mr. Ross reported the Bill to repeal Section 16 of 32nd *Victoria*, Chapter 70, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons, or other house or place of public entertainment; and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass and the title be, "An Act to repeal Section 16 of 32nd *Victoria*, Chapter 70, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons, or other houses or places of public entertainment, and to substitute other provisions therefor."

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

Mr. *Desaulniers* (*Maskinongé*) reported the Bill further to amend Chapter twenty-seven of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Masters and Servants in the Country parts, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two registration divisions; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Robert* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Robert* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Act of the Legislature of this Province, thirty-second *Victoria*, Chapter sixty-nine, relating to the Dental Association in this Province; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Pelletier* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Pelletier* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to extend the provisions of the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the 29th year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents;" and of the Act of this Province amending the same; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Beaubien* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Beaubien* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

On motion of Mr. *Carter*, seconded by Mr. *Church*, the 5th clause of the Bill was amended by adding, at the end thereof, the words: "Provided that the sums so borrowed do not exceed the amount of one year's premium."

Resolved, That the Bill, as amended, do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. *Robertson*, That this House will immediately resolve itself into a Committee to consider of certain proposed Resolutions respecting the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, then acquainted the House, That His Excellency having been informed of the subject matter of this motion, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

IN THE COMMITTEE.

1. *Resolved*, That the eighth section of the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869, be amended by substituting for the word "seventy" therein, the words "seventy-two," and for the words "seventy-three," the words "seventy-five."

2. *Resolved*, That the *Montreal* Northern Colonization Railway Company shall be entitled, upon its conforming to the provisions of the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869, to the aid assured by the said Act, notwithstanding that the whole or any portion of the road of the said Company shall have been constructed in iron.

Resolutions to be reported.

Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had come to two Resolutions.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the said Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the Bill to amend the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869.

The House, according to order, resolved itself into a Committee on the Bill to amend the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Church* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Church* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The House resumed the adjourned Debate upon the amendment, which was this day proposed to be made to the Question, "That this House doth concur in the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies, and which amendment was, that all the words after "That" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words: "the said Report be forthwith committed to a Committee of the Whole House," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question on the amendment being again proposed,

Mr. *Hemming* moved, in amendment to the said proposed amendment, seconded by Mr. *Gendron*, That the words, "the said Report be forthwith committed to a Committee of the Whole House," be left out, and the words: "it is not expedient, at the present advanced stage of the Session, to continue the Debate on the said Report; but that the same be laid upon the Table, in order that it may be discussed at the next Session," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the said proposed amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

YEAS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Craig.</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Attorney-</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>General,) and</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Verrault.—16.</i> |
| <i>Clément,</i> | | | |

NAYS:

Messieurs

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Poupoire,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Rhéaume,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>kinongé,)</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Ross, and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—21.</i> |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being put on the amendment to the original Question; it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Then the main Question, so amended, being put;

Ordered, That the said Report be forthwith committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Hemming reported, That the Committee had come to several resolutions.

And the Question being proposed, That the Report be now received, Mr. Chapleau moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. De Lotbinière-Harwood, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words: "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, with instructions to re-insert the first item relating to the appropriation for the Reporters of Debates, which had been struck out of the said Report," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

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| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>De Lotbinière-</i> | <i>Irvine. (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Harwood,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Pozér,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Rhéaume and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—20.</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | | |

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>kinongé.)</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> | <i>Ross and</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> | <i>Verreault,—21.</i> |
| <i>Church,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

And the Question being again proposed, That the Report be now received,

Mr. Chapleau moved in amendment, seconded by Mr. Tremblay, That all the words after "be" to the end of the Question be left out, and the words: "re-committed to a Committee of the Whole House, to be therein amended by re-inserting the second item, which had been struck out of the said Report," inserted instead thereof.

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

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| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>(kinongé,)</i> | <i>LaRue,</i> | <i>Pozér,</i> |
| <i>Carter.</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Marchand,</i> | <i>Rhéaume and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> | <i>Tremblay.—14.</i> |
| <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | <i>Joly,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> | |

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| <i>Bachand,</i> | <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Locke,</i> |
| <i>Beaubien,</i> | <i>Church,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>Mailloux,</i> |
| <i>Bellerose,</i> | <i>Clément,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Hamilton,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Bessette,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Robertson,</i> |
| <i>Brigham,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Ross and</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Verreault.—27,</i> |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put,

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Hemming* reported the Resolutions accordingly, and the same were read, as follow:

1. *Resolved,* That the Fifth Report of the Standing Committee on Contingencies be amended by leaving out the first, second and third paragraphs thereof.

2. *Resolved,* That this House doth concur with the Standing Committee on Contingencies in their Fifth Report, so amended.

The said Resolutions being read a second time, were agreed to.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered at the Bar of the House, the following Message:

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled: "An Act for the more advantageous disposal of property in the hands of Administrators."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to continue for a limited time the several Acts therein mentioned."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the Act 27 *Victoria*, Chap. 9, respecting the Sale of Lands by Municipalities."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to amend the law respecting Jurors in civil cases, and the qualification of Jurors in the County of *Gaspé*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to dispense with the use of parchment for public documents."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to uphold the authority and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec* Legislature, and the independence of the Members thereof, and to protect persons publishing Parliamentary papers."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the interdiction and cure of habitual Drunkards."

Also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House:

Bill, intituled: "The Cemetery Companies' Incorporation Act of 1870."

Bill, intituled: "An Act further to amend the law respecting Education in this Province."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate "The *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to provide for the remuneration of the Fire Commissioner for the City of *Quebec*."

And also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House, to the following Bills, without any amendment:

Bill, intituled; "An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads."

Bill, intituled: "An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: An Act to provide for the remuneration of the Fire Commissioner for the City of *Quebec*," and the same were read, as follow:

Page 1, line 17, clause 3, after the word "companies" add the words "or their agents."

Page 1, clause 3, after the last words of said clause add the following words: "and in case of non-payment, the action to that effect shall be brought before the Recorder's Court, and decided according to the law regulating the said Court."

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the *Quebec, New York and Boston Lumber Company*"; and the same were read, as follow:

Page 1, line 7, in the preamble strike out the words "and for trading purposes in real estate."

Page 4, line 16, section 9, after the word "thereon" add the words "or the rights of proprietors."

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "The Cemetery Companies' Incorporation Act of 1870"; and the same was read, as follows:

Page 1, line 22, section 3. after the words "Lieutenant-Governor" insert the words "in Council."

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act further to amend the law respecting Education in this Province," and the same was read, as follows:

Page 1, line 36, section 3, strike out the word "semi."

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

And it being Six of the clock in the afternoon, the House was adjourned by Mr. Speaker till half-past Seven o'clock, P. M., this day, without a Question first put.

Half-past Seven o'clock, P. M.

Pursuant to the order of the Day, the following Petitions were read :

Of the Reverend *J. D. Comeau* and others, of the Parish of *St. Boniface*; of the Reverend *R. Deléage* and others, of *Maniwaki* and other Townships; of *William Campbell* and others, of the Townships of *Northfield* and *Cameron*; and of *George Moncrieff* and others, of the Township of *Chatham*, County of *Argenteuil*; severally praying aid for Roads.

The Order of the Day for the House in Committee on the Bill respecting the Minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, Notary, of the City of *Montreal*, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

On motion of Mr. *Chapleau*, seconded by Mr. *Bessette*,

Ordered, That the fee imposed on the Bill respecting the Minutes of the late *Joseph Belle*, Notary, of the City of *Montreal*, be remitted.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to annex a portion of the Municipality of *St. Roch* South to *St. Roch* North, being read:

Mr. *Carter* moved, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Solicitor General *Irvine*, and the Question being proposed, that the Bill be now read a second time;

Mr. *Rhéaume* moved, in amendment to the Question, seconded by Mr. *Gaudet*, That the word "now" be left out and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof;

And the Question being put on the amendment; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow :

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| <i>Benoit,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Mailloux, and</i> |
| <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Rhéaume.</i> —8. |

NAYS :

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| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Church,</i> | <i>Genest,</i> | <i>Pelletier,</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Carter,</i> | <i>Maurice,)</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Poupore, and</i> |
| <i>Chapleau,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Ross.</i> —18. |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Garon,</i> | <i>Ouimet (Atty.Gen.)</i> | |

So it passed in the Negative.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Garon* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made an amendment thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Garon* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendment was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: An Act to incorporate the Irish Catholic Benefit Society of *Montreal*, being read;

The said amendment was accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill from the Legislative Council, intituled: An Act to incorporate the "*Club Montarville de Longueuil*," being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Verreault* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their honors that this House hath passed the same, without any amendment.

The House, according to Order, resumed the adjourned debate upon the amendment which was on Thursday, the 20th instant, proposed to be made to the Question, that the Bill to annex a part of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*, for representation purposes, be now

read a second time; and which amendment was, that the word "now" be left out, and the words "this day six months" added at the end thereof.

And the said motion in amendment was, with leave of the House, withdrawn.

Then the main Question being put;

Ordered, That the Bill be now read a second time.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. Church reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. Church reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to revive the provisions of Chapter 109 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting the payment of Jurors, being read;

And objection being taken that the Bill is not in order, inasmuch as it affects the revenue, contrary to the 54th and 90th sections of the *British North America Act 1867*, Mr. Speaker decided, that the Bill is not in order.

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to explain section 77 of chapter 15 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting schools, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to amend chapter 18, of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, in so far as regards the construction and repair of Churches, Parsonage Houses, and Cemeteries, being read;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to protect Forests against Fires, being read;

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and

after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Marchand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and made amendments thereunto.

Ordered, That the Report be now received.

Mr. *Marchand* reported the Bill accordingly, and the amendments were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to empower the *Rockland State Company* to raise additional Capital."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to incorporate the *St. Andrew's Society of Quebec*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the current financial year, and for the financial year ending on the thirtieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes connected with the public service."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Stamps Regulation Act."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend certain Articles of the Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act 20th *Victoria*, chapter 119, respecting the running of the boundary line between the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester* and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a Road."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869."

Bill, intituled : " An Act further to amend chapter 27 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Masters and Servants in the Country parts.

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with several amendments to each, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting the storage of Gunpowder, in and near the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to facilitate re-entry upon abandoned Lands in certain cases."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill intituled; "An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*," and the same were read, as follow:

Page 2, section 2, strike out the 6th sub-section, and replace it by the following: "Notwithstanding the sub-sections three and four of this section, every resident of the said City will have the right to vote for a Councillor. provided that, previous to the first of March, there shall have been paid to the Treasurer of the said City the sum of ten dollars, for such proportion of the annual assessment on his rental as would, before the passing of this Act, have fallen to the tenant, or other taxes for the current fiscal year, apart from his water rates, and provided his name is inscribed on the list of voters for Councillor for the ward in which he resides."

Page 6, section 10, line 17, strike out the words "Justice of the Peace" and insert the words "public officers."

Page 9, section 14, sub-section 2, after the words "present Act" add "Provided that the assessment books of the said Corporation shall continue to be made as heretofore, and shall contain the names of both proprietors and tenants, although the proprietor, or person in possession as proprietor alone is responsible to the said Corporation for the assessment on the said property."

Page 15, section 34, line 15, after the word "City" insert "and countersigned by the Treasurer."

Page 17, line 20, replace the 41st section by the following: "The ninth sub-section of the seventeenth section of the twenty-sixth *Victoria*. chapter 57, is hereby repealed."

Line 20, Replace the number 41 by 42, and add to the end of section 42, after the words "per cent.," the following words: "and should the Corporation of the City of *Quebec* take stock, as aforesaid, in the *Quebec* and *Gosford* Railway Company, to the amount of \$10,000, the Mayor of the said city shall be, *ex-officio*, a member of the Board of Directors of the said Company."

Replace the 43rd section by the following section: "The Corporation may, if it is deemed advantageous, exempt, either in part or altogether, for a period not exceeding ten years, municipal rates or taxes imposed on individuals or corporate companies, who shall establish manufactories within the City."

"The Corporation shall not be obliged to act uniformly; but shall, if deemed proper, decide each case on its own particular merits."

Page 17, line 27, replace number 43 by 44.

Page 17, line 29, the number 44 by 45.

Page 17, line 32, the number 45 by 46.

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments,

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled; "An Act to amend the Act respecting the storage of Gunpowder in and near the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*," and the same were read, as follow :

The second section is struck out.

Section 3, line 3, after the word "use" insert the words "and not for sale or storage."

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to facilitate re-entry upon abandoned Lands in certain cases," and the same was read, as follows :

Section 12, line 3, after the word "land" insert the words "or has made a transfer, but has not notified the seller in writing of such transfer."

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to exempt Ministers of Religion, in the performance of their duties, from the payment of Tolls on Bridges and Roads, being read;

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, rose in his place and acquainted the House that His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, having been made aware of the provisions of the said Bill, recommends it to the consideration of this House.

The Bill was accordingly read a second time; and committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

Resolved, That this House will immediately resolve itself into the said Committee.

The House accordingly resolved itself into the said Committee; and after some time spent therein, Mr. Speaker resumed the Chair; and Mr. *Bachand* reported, That the Committee had gone through the Bill, and directed him to report the same, without any amendment.

Ordered, that the Bill be now read the third time.

The Bill was accordingly read the third time.

Resolved, That the Bill do pass.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry the Bill to the Legislative Council, and desire their concurrence.

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled: "An Act to render valid certain Notarial Acts," being read;

The said amendments were accordingly read a second time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative

Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

Mr. *Tremblay* moved, seconded by Mr. *Pozer*, and the Question being put, That Mr. Speaker and the Clerk of this House be empowered to enquire into all claims presented by the various employees of this House, to establish the nature of the employment of each and the amount of work actually performed, to ascertain if the salary awarded is in proportion to the importance and to the amount of such work, and to report to this House, the said report to contain such suggestions or proposed alterations as they may deem desirable or necessary; the House divided: and the names being called for, they were taken down, as follow:

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Messieurs.

Bellingham, *Marchand,* *Pelletier,* and *Tremblay.*—5.
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| <i>Blais,</i> | <i>Desaulniers, (St.</i> | <i>Hemming,</i> | <i>Ouimet, (Atty.-Gen.)</i> |
| <i>Cantwell,</i> | <i>Maurice.)</i> | <i>Irvine, (Sol.-Gen.)</i> | <i>Picard,</i> |
| <i>Cauchon,</i> | <i>Fortin,</i> | <i>Jodoin,</i> | <i>Poupore,</i> |
| <i>Chauveau,</i> | <i>Gaudet,</i> | <i>Lavallée,</i> | <i>Robertson; and</i> |
| <i>Craig,</i> | <i>Gendron,</i> | <i>LeCavalier,</i> | <i>Verreault.</i> —23. |
| <i>Desaulniers, (Mas-</i> | | | |

So it passed in the Negative.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address dated 20th January, 1870; For a statement of the accounts, receipts and expenditure of the South Shore Turnpike Trustees; also, a statement of the Debentures issued by them since the separation of the South Shore Commission from that of the North Shore, to the present day, &c. (Sessional Papers No. 16.)

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, laid before the House, by command of His Excellency, the Lieutenant-Governor,—Report of the Commissioner of Agriculture and Public Works, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 3.)

Ordered, That the said Report be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

On motion of the Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, seconded by the Honorable Mr. Attorney-General *Ouimet*,

Resolved, That when this House adjourns this day, it do stand adjourned till to-morrow, at Ten o'clock, A. M.

And the House having continued to sit till a quarter of an hour after Twelve of the clock, on Tuesday morning, 1st February, 1870, adjourned till Ten o'clock this day.

Tuesday, 1st February, 1870.

Ten o'clock, A. M.

Pursuant to the order of the Day, the following Petition was read :

Of the Reverend *Joseph Hudon* and others, of the Parishes of *Notre Dame de Laterrière* and *St. Dominique de Jonquière*; praying aid for a Road.

The Clerk of the Legislative Council delivered, at the Bar of the House, the following Message :

The Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act 32nd *Victoria*, Chapter 72, respecting the Cemetery of *Notre Dame des Neiges*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled : 'An Act to incorporate the Society of the Union *St. Pierre*, of *Montreal*.'"

Bill, intituled : "An Act to relieve the Union *St. Joseph*, of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal Warehousing Company*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act of the Legislature of this Province, thirty-second *Victoria*, chapter sixty-nine, relating to the Dental Association in this Province."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to repeal section 16 of 32 *Victoria*, chapter 70, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons, or other houses or places of public entertainment, and to substitute other provisions therefor."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to extend the provisions of the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-ninth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled : "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents, and of the Act of this Province amending the same."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to annex a portion of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South to the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* North."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to amend the Act to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two registration divisions."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to protect Forests against Fires."

Bill, intituled : "An Act to exempt Ministers of Religion, in the performance of their duties, from the payment of Tolls on Bridges and Roads."

Also, the Legislative Council have agreed to the amendments made by this House to the following Bills, without any amendment :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works."

And also, the Legislative Council have passed the following Bills, with amendments, to which they desire the concurrence of this House :

Bill, intituled : " An Act to relieve the Union *St. Jacques* of *Montreal*."

Bill, intituled : " An Act to divide the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset* and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into three Municipalities."

And then he withdrew.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendment made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : " An Act to relieve the Union *St. Jacques* of *Montreal*," and the same was read, as follows :

Add at the end of the last Section the following words : " And also all arrears from this date, after deduction has been made of the two hundred dollars, and the interest received by them on the same."

The said amendment being read a second time, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendment.

The House proceeded to take into consideration the amendments made by the Legislative Council to the Bill, intituled : " An Act to divide the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset* and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into three Municipalities, and the same were read, as follow :

Page 1, section 1, line 7, strike out the word " fifteen" and insert, in lieu thereof, the word " twelve."

Page 1, section 2, line 15, strike out the word " fourteen" and insert, in lieu thereof, the word " eleven."

The following will become the third section : 3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the two preceding sections of this Act, lots twelve, thirteen and fourteen of the said sixth range of the Township of *Tring* shall form part of the Corporation of *St. Victor de Tring*, for Municipal purposes only, and shall form part of the Corporation of *St. Ephraim de Tring*, for Scholastic purposes only.

Section 3 shall become Section 4.

Section 4 shall become Section 5.

Section 5 shall become Section 6.

Section 6 shall become Section 7.

The said amendments being read a second time, were agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk do carry back the Bill to the Legislative Council, and acquaint their Honors that this House hath agreed to their amendments.

On motion of Mr. *Hearn*, seconded by Mr. *Chapleau*,

Resolved, That an humble Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, praying His Excellency to cause to be laid before

this House,—Copies of such correspondence as may have taken place between the Catholics of *Quebec* speaking the English language and His Excellency, and the Catholics of the Parish of *St. Colombe de Sillery* and his Excellency, concerning the composition of the Council of Public Instruction.

Ordered, That the said Address be presented to His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor by such Members of this House as are of the Honorable the Executive Council of this Province.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address dated 29th January, 1870 ; For copies of all letters and correspondence and all documents whatever that may have been written, transmitted, received or exchanged between the Government and the North Shore and *St. Maurice* Railway and Navigation Company, since the formation thereof, respecting a grant of lands on the *St. Maurice* or elsewhere, or respecting any other assistance to the said Company ; and further, copies of all letters or other documents respecting a grant of 1,500,000 acres of land for the construction of the *Piles* Road. (Sessional Papers No. 17.)

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

Mr. *de Lotbinière-Harwood* moved, seconded by Mr. *Carter*, and the Question being put, That a gratuity of \$800 be placed in the hands of the Honorable the Speaker of this House, for distribution amongst the gentlemen who acted as Reporters during the present Session of Parliament.

And objection being taken, that the motion is not in order, Mr. Speaker decided that it is not in order, because it requires two days notice, and because it is the same Question that was put and negatived yesterday.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House,—Statement of the Affairs of the *Canada* Military Asylum, for the year 1869. (Sessional Papers No. 5.)

The Order of the Day for the second reading of the Bill to incorporate the College of Pharmacy of the Province of *Quebec*, being read ;

Ordered, That the said order be discharged.

Ordered, That the Bill be withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. *Fortin*, seconded by Mr. *Hemming*,

Ordered, That 1,500 French and 500 English copies of the Bill, intituled : "An Act to protect Forests against Fires," be printed for the use of Members.

The Honorable Mr. *Chauveau*, one of the Members of the Honorable the Executive Council of the Province of *Quebec*, presented,—Return to an Address dated 1st February, 1870 ; For copies of such correspondence as may have taken place between the Catholics of *Quebec* speaking the English language and His Excellency, and the Catholics of the Parish of *St. Colombe de Sillery* and His Excellency, concerning the composition of the Council of Public Instruction. (Sessional Papers No. 18.)

Ordered, That the said Return be referred to the Joint Committee of both Houses on the Printing of the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. *Hearn*, seconded by Mr. *Poupore*,
Ordered, That the Fee imposed on the Bill to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*, be refunded.

A Message from His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, by *Samuel Staunton Hall*, Esquire, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod :

Mr. Speaker,

I am commanded by His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, to acquaint this Honorable House that it is the pleasure of His Excellency that the Members thereof do forthwith attend him in the Legislative Council Chamber.

Accordingly Mr. Speaker, with the House, went to attend His Excellency, when His Excellency was pleased to give, in Her Majesty's name, the Royal Assent to the following Public and Private Bills :

An Act to incorporate "The Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of *Montreal*."

An Act to incorporate "The *Quebec, New York and Boston* Lumber Company."

An Act to incorporate the Society called "The Union of *St. Joseph* of *Farnham*."

An Act to incorporate "The Caledonian Society of *Montreal*."

An Act to empower the *Rockland Slate* Company to raise additional capital.

An Act to amend the provisions of the several Acts relating to the incorporation of the City of *Quebec*.

An Act to amend certain articles of the Code of Civil Procedure of *Lower Canada*.

The Cemetery Companies' incorporation Act of 1870.

An Act for establishing a general system of Police in this Province.

An Act to render valid certain Notarial Acts.

An Act to annex a portion of the Township of *Tingwick* to the Township of *Wotton*.

An Act to facilitate the taking of Evidence in Civil Cases.

An Act to provide for the appointment of Justices of the Peace with more extensive jurisdiction.

An Act respecting the Indemnity to Members of the Legislature, and the Salary of the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly.

An Act to amend the Act 27 *Victoria*, chap. 9, respecting the Sale of Lands by Municipalities.

An Act to provide for the interdiction and Cure of Habitual Drunkards.

An Act to amend the law respecting Jurors in Civil Cases, and the qualification of Jurors in the County of *Gaspé*.

An Act to change the limits of the Counties of *Joliette* and *Montcalm*.

An Act to amend the Act respecting Vehicles used for Winter Roads.

An Act to amend the Act to divide the County of *Rimouski* into two registration divisions.

An Act to incorporate the Society called "The Society *St. Jean-Baptiste* of *St. Romuald de Farnham*."

An Act to incorporate the Society called "The Irish Catholic Benefit Society of *Montreal*."

An Act to incorporate the Society called "The Union of *St. Joseph* of *St. Paul* of *Aylmer*."

An Act to relieve the "Union *St. Joseph* of *Montreal*."

An Act to relieve the "Union *St. Jacques* of *Montreal*."

An Act to annex a portion of the Municipality of the Parish of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* South to the Municipality of *St. Roch* of *Quebec* North.

An Act to incorporate the "*Club Montarville de Longueuil*."

An Act to amend the Act of the 32nd *Victoria*, chapter 72, respecting the Cemetery of *Notre-Dame des Neiges*.

An Act to amend the Act incorporating the *Montreal* Warehousing Company.

An Act to divide the Municipality of the Township of *Cape des Rosiers*, in the County of *Gaspé*, into two separate Municipalities.

An Act further to amend the law respecting Education in this Province.

An Act respecting the duties of certain Judicial Offices in cases of vacancy.

An Act to amend the Act 20 *Victoria*, chapter 119, respecting the running of the boundary line between the Seigniorship of *Beauharnois* and the Township of *Godmanchester* and the Parish of *St. Anicet*, for the purposes of a Road.

An Act for the more advantageous disposal of property in the hands of Administrators.

An Act to divide the Townships of *Tring*, *Forsyth*, *Adstock*, *Dorset* and part of the Township of *Shenley*, in the County of *Beauce*, into three municipalities.

An Act to amend the Act of the Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-fifth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to incorporate the Society of the Union *St. Pierre* of *Montreal*."

An Act to incorporate the *St. Andrew's* Society of *Quebec*

An Act to amend the Act respecting the Department of Agriculture and Public Works.

An Act to amend the Gold Mining Act.

An Act to uphold the authority and dignity of the Houses of the *Quebec* Legislature and the independence of the members thereof, and to protect persons publishing parliamentary papers.

An Act respecting the Tariffs of Fees of certain Officers of Justice.

An Act to protect the manufacture of Cheese and Butter in this Province.

An Act to authorize a loan to the Trustees of the *Quebec* Turnpike Roads, for the purpose of repairing *Dorchester* Bridge.

An Act respecting the issuing of Licenses.

An Act to amend the Act respecting the storage of Gunpowder in and near the Cities of *Quebec* and *Montreal*.

An Act to dispense with the use of parchment for Public Documents.

An Act to continue for a limited time the several acts therein mentioned.

An Act to facilitate re-entry upon abandoned Lands in certain cases.

An Act to repeal section sixteen of thirty-two *Victoria*, chap. seventy, relating to the closing of Taverns, Dramshops, Saloons or other houses or places of public entertainment, and to substitute other provisions therefor.

An Act to protect Forests against Fires.

An Act to exempt Ministers of Religion, in the performance of their duties, from the payment of Tolls on Bridges and Roads.

An Act to permit the terms of the Court of Queen's Bench to be fixed by Proclamation.

An Act to amend the Act respecting District Magistrates in this Province.

An Act further to amend chapter 27 of the Consolidated Statutes for *Lower Canada*, respecting Masters and Servants in the country parts.

An Act to amend the Act of the Legislature of this Province, thirty-second *Victoria*, chapter sixty-nine, relating to the Dental Association in this Province.

An Act to consolidate and amend the Acts respecting the Notarial Profession.

An Act to amend the Stamps' Regulation Act.

An Act to extend the provisions of the Act of the late Province of *Canada*, passed in the twenty-ninth year of Her Majesty's reign, intituled: "An Act to secure to Wives and Children the benefit of Assurances on the lives of their Husbands and Parents," and of the Act of this Province amending the same.

An Act to amend the Colonization Railway Aid Act of 1869.

An Act to provide for the remuneration of the Fire Commissioner for the City of *Quebec*.

An Act to provide for the formation of Joint Stock Companies for Stoning Roads.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly addressed His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor, as followeth:

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY:

The Legislative Assembly have voted the supplies required to enable the Government to defray the expenses of the Public Service.

In the name of the Legislative Assembly, I present to Your Excellency a Bill, intituled:

"An Act for granting to Her Majesty certain sums of money required for defraying certain expenses of the Civil Government for the current financial year, and for the financial year ending on the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-one, and for other purposes connected with the Public Service," to which I humbly request Your Excellency's assent.

To this Bill the Royal assent was signified in the following words:

"In Her Majesty's name, His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor thanks Her Loyal Subjects, accepts their benevolence, and assents to this Bill."

After which His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor was pleased to deliver the following Speech to both Houses:

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council :

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I am happy in being able to congratulate you, in the name of Our Gracious Sovereign, on the result of your labors and on the harmony with which you have examined and discussed the important questions submitted to your consideration.

Although you have deemed it incumbent upon you to defer the final adoption of the Municipal Code to another session, the zeal with which you have investigated this measure and the solicitude manifested by you in regard to it, lead me to hope that the work will be thereby rendered more complete, and that it will thus hold out more ample security to the inhabitants of our rural districts.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

I thank you in the name of Her Majesty, for the liberality with which you have voted the supplies. I have observed with pleasure that you have devoted your attention to the provision of better accommodation for the public departments.

Honorable Gentlemen and Gentlemen :

Your devotion to Our Gracious Sovereign and to the constitution to which we are subject will, I have no doubt, insure me your assistance in the execution of the laws and in the administration of the Government. I earnestly pray for the success of your exertions in the public behalf, for your own prosperity and for the welfare of your families.

Then, the Honorable the Speaker of the Legislative Council said :

Honorable Gentlemen of the Legislative Council, and

Gentlemen of the Legislative Assembly :

It is His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor's will and pleasure that this Provincial Parliament be prorogued until Thursday, the Tenth day of March next, to be then here holden, and this Provincial Parliament is accordingly prorogued until THURSDAY, the TENTH day of MARCH next.

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

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**STATEMENT of Legal Opinions, Reports of Council, and Special Warrants
Auditor as**

| Service. | Details. | Legal Opinions. |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Expenses of Elections..... | Balance due Returning officer, County of Kamouraska, on his fees and disbursements, connected with the election held in February, 1869..... | None. |
| do | To pay the fees and disbursements of the Returning officers of the Cities of Sherbrooke and Three Rivers, and of the Counties of Richelieu and Huntingdon, in connection with the elections held in the said Cities and Counties in October last and November, instant..... | None. |
| Journals of Education..... | Amount deposited on 30th June last to the credit of the Treasurer, being unexpended balance of warrant, issued for Journals of Education..... | None. |
| Printing, Binding and distributing the Laws..... | To enable the Queen's Printer to pay the balance due for the printing and binding of the Laws, and for the postages and distribution of the same..... | None. |

**Treasury Department,
Quebec, 24th November, 1869.**

under the authority of Clause 47, Vict. 31, Cap. 9., prepared by the
thereby required.

| Reports of Council. | | | | Special Warrants. | Amount of Special Warrant. | | Amount expended. | | Balance not expended. | |
|---------------------|------------------|---------|------|----------------------|----------------------------------|------|---------------------|------|--------------------------|------|
| No. | Date. | Amount. | | | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. |
| | 1869. | \$ | cts. | | | \$ | cts. | \$ | cts. | |
| 90 | June 16..... | 73 | 16 | A 2 | 73 | 16 | 73 | 16 | ... | ... |
| 226 | November 19..... | 1,100 | 00 | D 2 | 1,100 | 00 | ... | ... | 1,100 | 00 |
| 123 | August 5..... | 1,095 | 26 | B 2 | 1,035 | 26 | 1,095 | 26 | ... | ... |
| 221 | November 18..... | 1,787 | 81 | C 2 | 1,787 | 81 | 1,787 | 81 | ... | ... |
| | | \$4,056 | 23 | | 4,056 | 23 | 2,956 | 23 | 1,100 | 00 |

GASPARD DROLET,
Auditor.

FIRST REPORT

Of the Select Committee entrusted with the duty of inquiring into the practicability of carrying on the Gosford road to Lake St. John.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,

20th December, 1869.

The committee entrusted with the duty of inquiring into the practicability of opening a short means of communication between Quebec and lake St. John, starting from the extremity of the Gosford Road, beg leave to submit to your Honorable House the information collected by them from the different witnesses examined under the powers conferred upon your committee.

On referring to the evidence hereunto annexed, your Honorable House will readily appreciate the thorough competence of the persons who furnished your committee with the information which it was their duty to collect, and the precision and importance of that information.

Mr. Joseph Bureau, of St. Raymond, hunter, traced out upon the map with remarkable intelligence the position of the St. Ann and Batiscan rivers, their various tributaries and the large lakes, which supply them. Considering his twelve years experience as a hunter and pioneer for different lumber merchants, it is evident that he must be thoroughly acquainted with the territory he has described.

All who take an interest in the colonization of the country will doubtless, learn with very great pleasure, that at the fork of the great Batiscan river, the land on both sides of the stream is of excellent quality and clothed with splendid timber, and that beyond the township of Rocmont in the direction of lake St. John, there are also some fine valleys, in which settlements might be advantageously established.

Mr. Fitzgerald who appeared on two occasions before your committee and kindly gave them gratuitously some interesting information corroborating on all points Mr. J. Bureau, is firmly convinced that a railway may be constructed from the present extremity of the Gosford road to a point 9 miles North of lake La Rivière, which, including the 26 miles of the Gosford road, makes a distance of 62 miles from Quebec. Along the greater part of this route, the land is good.

The prevailing timber is black and white birch, balsam and spruce; at the sources of the Batiscan and Bostonnais rivers, there are extensive tracts of white pine. Mr. Bureau, who penetrated 15 miles beyond the point explored by Mr. Fitzgerald to the head of the Métabetchouan river encountered no obstacles of a nature to prevent the construction of a road in that section.

Mr. Déry who, in the pursuit of his profession of surveyor, had occasion to traverse several times a large extent of the territory to the North of St. Raymond, confirmed the evidence of the previous witnesses. All agreed in stating that in the valleys of the Batiscan and St. Ann rivers there is usually much less snow than in the neighbourhood of Quebec. In the

course of a survey made in 1858, Mr. Déry observed that while the snow had completely disappeared in the valley of the river Batiscan, it was still 15 inches in depth at St. Raymond. From what precedes, we may then conclude, that of the total distance of between 130 and 140 miles from Quebec to lake St. John, by the Gosford road, there remain but 35 miles unexplored, surveys having been made from the shores of lake St. John to a distance of 15 miles. Between the river Métabetchouan, from 45 to 50 miles in length, and the river Ouatichouan, only 18 miles in length, there is every reason to believe that no high mountain ranges are to be encountered. The latter river derives its source from the table land which sheds a portion of its waters into the St. Maurice by means of the rivers Croche and Bostonnais. It is worthy of remark, that after crossing the north eastern branch of the river St. Ann, in the township of Rocmont, no important rivers are met with, as all the streams run in the direction of the line which will be drawn between the said river St. Ann and lake St. John. If Quebec is reasonably to indulge the hope of ever seeing the long and narrow line of settlements along the north shore of the St. Lawrence, penetrate further into the interior, your committee are of opinion that such penetration must be in the direction of the St. Maurice and of lake St. John. If the basin watered by the rivers St. Ann, Batiscan and Métabetchouan affords a considerable tract of land fit for cultivation, the problem of the union of the valleys of lake St. John and of the river St. Lawrence is solved. And Quebec finds this back country essential to its prosperity. Her markets, in addition to timber for building purposes and for firewood, will be supplied with the rich produce both in wheat and other grain, of the Saguenay district, the surplus population of the neighbouring counties will tend towards the north, and in a few years there will be as many new parishes, as now actually exist between Three Rivers and Tadousac.

If it is possible to open up a short and easy means of communication between Quebec, the St. Maurice and lake St. John, the country may certainly rely on obtaining the advantageous results which the success already met with warrants us in anticipating.

A large number of settlers, from the county of Kamouraska, acting under the direction of a truly patriotic mayor, constitute at the present time the flourishing parish of Hébertville on the shores of lake Kinigamichiche. A considerable number too, of settlers from Pointe aux Trembles, in the county of Portneuf, from the Island of Orleans, from Château Richer and from Beauport established there between one and three years, will be followed this spring by farmers from St. Foy who have taken lots, in the fine township of Ashuapmouchouan. According to the information supplied by one of the members of the committee the abundant harvest of the past two years will have the effect of inducing a large immigration during the coming spring and summer.

Taking into consideration the rapid strides which colonization is making, and the fact, it may almost be termed instantaneous settlement of a large extent of territory, your committee deem it to be their duty to point out to your Honorable House that the least it can do is forthwith to take into consideration the necessary steps to place a population, which within a very short time will number over one hundred thousand souls, in connection with the great commercial centres, and especially with the capital of the province.

The opening up of a great highway of communication both for the St. Maurice and lake St. John, from Quebec to lake La Rivière, and thence dividing into two branches, one traversing the fertile valley of the river Batiscan, and the other reaching the valley of lake St. John through the basin of the Etétabetchouan, would be incontestably of immense advantage to the whole country, and would specially meet the requirements of the large population dwelling on the north of the river St. Lawrence. As a preliminary step, your committee take the liberty of respectfully suggesting, to your Honorable House, that a survey of the above mentioned territory, made during the winter, the season most favorable for the purpose, by experienced hunters, would enable the government to ascertain the practicability of deriving advantage from the resources of the district of the Saguenay and the St. Maurice, by opening up means of communication, of a nature to shorten to some extent the distances to be met, and would further ensure the success of many undertakings, which although of a private character will nevertheless contribute powerfully to the public prosperity and in great measure aid the action of the government. A preliminary survey of this kind made solely by hunters would cost but little, and yet it would establish whether or not it is possible to open up a road, the only object which your committee have now in view.

The whole respectfully submitted.

P. A. TREMBLAY.

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